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HOUSE DEMANDS HULL ACT AGAINST HITLER; ITALY, NAZIS ORDER BLOCKADE OF SPAIN

Police Plot New Attack, Bittner Says Delay Puts U. S. on Side Of Fascists in Spain, House Liberals Declare

RED-BAITING BY REPUBLIC IS ASSAILED

Chicago Cops Violate Agreement to Allow Picketing at Mill

(Daily Worker Midwest Bureau)
CHICAGO, June 2.—Van A. Bittner, regional director of the Steel Workers Organizing Committee, charged today that Republic Steel Corp. is plotting a new massacre of steel pickets and is using Chicago police to terrorize pickets outside the plant. He intimated a belief that police captains Murney and Kilroy were being paid for their violation of the police department head's agreement to allow unlimited picketing. Police violated their own agreement to respect picketing today by halting carloads of pickets a block from the strike-bound plant. Later they threw barriers across 106th and 134th Streets, sole entrances to Semi-Island, where Republic Steel has its plant. All who might be pickets were barred. Later police barriers were removed.

DEMOUNCES COMPANY LIE

Police used the excuse that "truck loads of invaders are coming from Indiana." This proved unfounded and Bittner denounced it as a deliberate fabrication by Republic Steel, to justify terror and the police murders of Sunday.

Another trick to justify these murders was the "discovery" of a knife in a strikers automobile. This was the first car searched, and the knife was found buried in the upholstery of the back seat, by a policeman who had ample opportunity to plant it.

George Patterson, S. W. O. C. organizer who drove the car, swore an affidavit denying that anyone in the car was armed, and the six pickets with him corroborated his statement.

Bittner charged in statements to the press today, that 940 police mobilized at Republic Works Tuesday were there to frighten pickets, and to scare the scabs with ideas they would suffer if they came out. Republic thugs inside also intimidated them.

INTIMIDATE MEN

"We had 65 peaceful pickets on the line and 940 police were mobilized, the union chief's statement said. "The Republic Steel Cor-

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Labor Council Suspends 46 CIO Unions

Garment, Textile, Office Transport Locals Ousted by Order

Forty-six local CIO unions, with a total membership of 250,000, were yesterday suspended from the Central Trades and Labor Council of Greater New York by the central body's executive committee.

John J. Munholland, vice-president of the Central Trades, said that the suspensions were tantamount to expulsions.

The locals affected are affiliated with the International Ladies Garment Workers Union, the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America and the United Textile Workers of America.

ACT ON GREEN LETTER

Munholland said that the action was taken as a result of a letter from A. F. of L. president William Green on May 27. The letter quoted Article 11, Section 1 of the A. F. of L. constitution which says, in part, "that local organizations chartered by a national or international union which has been suspended by or withdrawn from the A. F. of L. shall be ineligible to membership in state federations or city central labor unions."

Steel vs. Liberty

AN EDITORIAL

SIX WORKERS' LIVES. Chicago's corrupt cops have now this murder toll to their account.

The hands of Tom Girdler, president of the Republic Steel Corporation, are red with these workers' blood. Anthony Tagliori was the sixth to die. He had worked for the Republic Steel Corporation. He had thought that the people's mandate of Nov. 3 would be enforced—in Chicago as in the rest of America.

He had thought that the right to strike, to picket and assemble had been safeguarded by the Liberty League defeat of that election day.

But Anthony Tagliori dies with a bullet wound in his abdomen—from the bullet directed by the Liberty Leaguer, Tom Girdler.

Were justice done, large posters would appear in all public places in this country. They would bear Tom Girdler's picture. They would read: "WANTED FOR MURDER."

But that does not take place. Quite to the contrary. Openly and brazenly, Girdler boasts of the private arsenals.

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Planes With Food For Steel Scabs Crash

C.I.O. Leaders to Speak at Series of Meetings in Mahoning Valley—Conferences with Rail Brotherhoods Are Begun

(Special to the Daily Worker)
CLEVELAND, Ohio, June 2.—C.I.O. workers staged three 5-minute sympathy protests against the Chicago murders, and to show their solidarity with their striking brothers of the Republic Steel in Cleveland.

The first action took place at 4 A.M. on the morning shift, when every man stopped work for 5 minutes. The next protest came on the second shift, at 11 A.M.

By Adam Lapin (Special to the Daily Worker)

YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio, June 2.—Two planes carrying food to scabs inside the Warren plant of Republic Steel crashed today.

Evidently influenced by the Warren incidents, the company announced that it would cease the trips of the planes to the nearby Niles plant and called on the Sheriff to protect the entry of food by other means.

It is expected that the large scale hauling of food and men inside the Warren plant by plane will also be slowed up or stopped altogether.

In the meantime union leaders prepared a series of intensive activities for the coming week.

LEADERS TO SPEAK. A galaxy of speakers from several CIO unions will address meetings during the next few days.

By Beth McHenry

The temperature is rising and the smells and the dirt and moisture of summer are heavy on the city already. The ladies uptown are having their dogs' coats clipped.

The kids who swarm in the streets downtown and in Harlem scramble in the gutter, fighting to pick up the pieces the looting drops, making his rounds.

Eighty-eight degrees Tuesday and the doorsteps in Hell's Kitchen were thick with families gasping for air and fanning themselves.

On a West 30th St. stoop an old lady sat nursing her feet that had swollen in her broken shoes. She rocked back and forth, saying Good Lord, it's only June.

IT'S ONLY JUNE

It's only June and if she could just move across town and up a little way, to say, Park Avenue and

MAYOR BACKS LABOR RIGHTS BEFORE POLICE

Assails Tory Demands for 'Rubber Hose' Against Strikers

In the sharpest defense of civil rights in his City Hall career, Mayor LaGuardia yesterday declared at a police and fire department ceremony that "economic issues cannot be tackled with a policeman's nightstick."

Fifteen hundred policemen and firemen were drawn stiffly at attention in City Hall Plaza while LaGuardia lectured them on constitutional rights. His speech was applauded by the two thousand persons who filled the temporary grandstand and thronged the areas beyond the Plaza within reach of the Mayor's voice.

The formal occasion was the presentation of medals to members of the Police and Fire Departments who had distinguished themselves for bravery in the last year, but it was quickly forgotten under the impact of LaGuardia's attack on Tory elements conducting pro-fascist propaganda among the police to suppress strikers and minority groups.

Without mentioning Queens Borough President George U. Harvey by name, the Mayor patently was directing his chief fire against the former's oft-repeated suggestion that sit-down strikers and Communists should be beaten with rubber hose.

"There is a school of thought," the mayor said, "which would use the department for other than its proper purpose. I now state that economic issues cannot be tackled with a policeman's nightstick."

"Any philosophy of government can be decided only through the medium provided by the Constitution and cannot be suppressed through the use of force. The force of the state cannot be improperly used to suppress freedom of speech, freedom of action or freedom of expression as long as it is within the law."

"If, while I am mayor, force is used to exact any demands, I can meet it with superior force, but I will not use the police department to beat and abuse people who are acting within their rights, in accordance with provisions of the law."

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P.R. Is Held Valid, 6-1, By High Court

To Elect Councilmen from Boroughs, Not Districts

ALBANY, June 2.—Election of councilmen in New York City by proportional representation was today upheld by the Court of Appeals as constitutional.

The decision, rendered by a six to one vote, was made in a taxpayers suit brought by machine Democrats acting through individuals.

Apart from the approval of P. R. chosen as a system by the people of the city at a referendum last year, the majority decision was notable for its implied attack on

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CIO to Open New Drive in Plane Factories

WASHINGTON, June 2 (UP).—John L. Lewis, chairman of the Committee for Industrial Organization, announced today that the CIO would begin immediately a drive to unionize approximately 60,000 workers in the airplane industry.

The campaign will be conducted by the United Automobile Workers Union. Lewis' announcement followed a lengthy conference with Homer Martin, UAW president, and Richard Frankenstein, union organizational director.

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SENATE TORIES PLAN TO EASE TAXES ON RICH

FDR's Request for Probe of Dodgers Twisted Into Program of Cuts

WASHINGTON, June 2.—A Senate coalition today moved to twist the administration's request for legislation to crack down on rich tax dodgers into a drive to ease taxes on corporate surpluses and broaden the income tax base to include \$10,000 incomes.

The drive is directly opposed to the plans of President Roosevelt and Congressional leaders to confine changes to those recommended in the presidential message yesterday.

The Senate coalition indicated it would act to revise the 1936 corporate surplus tax and broaden the base of income tax schedules.

WIDE COALITION

Leaders in the move are Senators Arthur H. Vandenberg, R. Mich., David I. Walsh, D. Mass., and Robert La Follette, P. Wis.

The principal changes in the president's tax program discussed by the coalition were plans to "relieve new business" and "debt-burdened business" of some of its present levies.

Under the guise of relieving new business and debt-burdened business, the coalition is working on the measure which would make most make enormous profits in order to operate.

BROADEN BASE

Leaders of the coalition have been advocating for some time broadening the income tax base to affect incomes of the poor. They have proposed taxing incomes as low as \$1,000.

The president in his message blamed upper bracket tax avoidance for low revenue returns. He proposed an immediate investigation which would result in substantial changes in the tax laws.

Both houses acted to start a tax evasion investigation, which Mr. Roosevelt laid at the doorstep of wealthy persons. The Senate approved a joint resolution calling for an inquiry. The House Rules Committee late today reported a modified resolution on the President's recommendation for a nationwide investigation of tax evasion schemes.

Arrangements were made for House consideration tomorrow.

Text of Note to Hull On Invasion of Spain

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 2.—The text of the letter left with Secretary of State Cordell Hull by Rep. Jerry O'Connell on behalf of a large progressive bloc of Congressmen follows:

"June 2, 1937.
"The Honorable Cordell Hull,
"Secretary of State,
"Washington, D. C.
"My dear Mr. Secretary:

"On behalf of a large group of my colleagues headed by the Honorable John T. Bernard, Honorable John M. Coffey, Honorable Robert C. Allen, Honorable Henry C. Teigan, Honorable Gerald J. Boleas and Honorable Dewey W. Johnson, I wish to bring to your attention our views in connection with the House joint resolution which I introduced yesterday requesting that Germany and Italy be declared nations at war with Spain under the terms of the Neutrality Act of 1937.

"UNDECLARED WAR"

The wanton bombardment of Almeria by Nazi warships is an act of war. It is the latest in a long series of brutal and warlike attacks by the Italian and German governments upon the brave Spanish people.

"We have been told that the warships murdered 100 non-combatants, the defenseless women and children who made their homes in the non-military area of Almeria. It is generally admitted that Italian bombing planes have mercilessly slaughtered the civil populations of Valencia and Barcelona. It has been established that Germanies and its 800 peaceful inhabitants were systematically destroyed by Nazi warplanes and machine guns.

"These are hard facts, known

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Mussolini, Blomberg Confer on Blockade

Decide on New Italian Push Against Bilbao—Fascists Encouraged by Diplomatic Co-operation by British, French

ROME, June 2.—Hitler and Mussolini pushed their intervention in Spain today, ordering what amounts to a joint blockade of Spanish ports.

The action was put into effect while Mussolini conferred here with Wernert von Blomberg, Hitler's war minister.

They discussed, in addition to the blockade plans, military tactics in Spain and intensification of the offensive on Bilbao.

It was thought likely that more Italian soldiers would be sent immediately to the Bilbao front, where the Basques have checked the fascist drive.

The two fascist regimes acted

vigorously, encouraged by the diplomatic co-operation of the British and French governments with the fascist policy of war against the lawful Spanish government.

Freed from the formal restrictions of the Non-Intervention Committee, which both quit at the time this was done.

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Indiana Socialists Join In United Front Group

Trotskyites Excluded from Coordinating Committee of Communists, Socialists

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., June 2.—A joint coordinating committee of the Communist Party and the Socialist Party of Indiana has been set up here to lead united front activities of the two parties on a state-wide scale.

The action establishing the newly organized united front came at a special two-day convention of the Socialist Party of Indiana held here last week-end.

WARNED ON TROTSKYITES

Andrew Remes, state secretary of the Communist Party, addressed the new state committee of the Socialist Party of Indiana on Sunday, urging establishment of a joint coordinating committee in which the Trotskyites would be excluded.

Concluding a brief speech on the urgent problems confronting working class parties, Remes lashed at Trotskyism and warned against its disruptive and counter-revolutionary policies and actions.

The condition to exclude the Trotskyites brought heated debate in the Socialist Party committee, in which the Trotskyites were barely short of a strict majority. After an hour of debate, a motion was presented and adopted to the effect that the Socialist Party chairman appoint a committee under conditions of the Communist proposal. This was done.

This action represents the first of its kind in the Socialist Party of Indiana.

Representatives of the Communist Party had been granted the opportunity to appear before Socialist conventions and committees without exception for the past few years. But this was the first occasion on which consistent efforts of the Indiana Communist Party for united action on state-wide scale won concrete organizational results.

O'Connell Leaves Note Urging Immediate Action Taken

THE SPANISH SITUATION

ROME.—Mussolini and Hitler order joint blockade of Spanish ports. Italian dictator and Nazi War Minister discuss intensified offensive.

PARIS.—Spanish envoy says his government will ask neutral inquiry and World Court probe of Almeria bombardment by Nazis.

LONDON.—British Foreign Office drafts "four-point program" as part of scheme to block international action against fascist aggressors.

WASHINGTON.—President Roosevelt and diplomatic aides confer on Spain. Congressional committee visits Hull to demand embargo on shipments to Italy and Germany.

MOSCOW.—Pravda denounces British maneuvers to "close Almeria incident," declaring punch attitude aids fascist bandits' aggression in Spain; urges world public opinion support Spanish Government protest.

BERLIN.—Hitler orders four Nazi submarines in Spanish waters. British ambassador promises Hitler "careful attention" of British Government.

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, D. C.

June 2.—A group of progressive Congressmen visited Secretary of State Cordell Hull today and told him that further delay in adding Hitler and Mussolini to the embargo now operating against Loyalist Spain is tantamount to a declaration that the United States government has sided with the traitor General Francisco Franco.

The delegation included Representative Jerry O'Connell (D., Montana); John T. Bernard (P., L.); Minnesota; John M. Coffey (D., Washington); and Byron Scott (D., California).

Hull attempted to explain his lack of action against Hitler and Mussolini for destroying Almeria by declaring that "we have to contend with so many factions. Today you are here. Tomorrow another group taking the other side will be here. We must act with caution. We don't want to get mixed up in it. We are gathering all the facts."

ASSAILS "CAUTIONISM"

One of the Congressmen told Hull: "Our cautionism on the part of many nations including our own made it possible for Japan to invade China and take Manchuria and for Italy to conquer Ethiopia."

It was understood that originally 15 members of the House of Representatives would visit the Secretary of State, but upon Hull's request only a small group went to see him.

"Today we see the Democratic government of Spain fighting desperately with its back to the wall against fascism," Hull was told. "We do not hesitate on the first working day of Congress to place an embargo against the recognized government of Spain. But we want to be cautious and calm when the question of placing an embargo against Germany and Italy arises."

O'Connell, leader of the delegation Tuesday introduced a resolution

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Ford Talks on Spain In East Side Today; In Harlem on Friday

James W. Ford, Communist Vice-Presidential candidate who has just returned from Spain, will make his first East Side appearance tonight at Hennington Hall, 214 E. 2nd St.

He will deal with the general war danger; which the recognized warships have created and will deliver a first-hand account of what he saw in Madrid, Valencia and Barcelona. Admission will be free.

Tomorrow night Ford will speak at Park Palace, 110th St. and Fifth Ave., at a meeting sponsored by the Lower Harlem Section of the Communist Party. This meeting is being held as part of American Week for Spanish Democracy which is now current.

COLUMN LEFT!

By
Harrison
GeorgeBarbarism—
And Smoke Screens

"AT 6:30 A. M.," said the news report on the Nazi shelling of Almeria, "the German squadron ceased fire and steamed away, laying a smoke screen behind it."

That smoke screen, with assistant smoke-screens laid down by London, Paris and, to a degree, by Washington, still darkens the air and dries every capitalist newspaper with the most atrocious lying.

However, 'tis said "Hitler is satisfied." And, since Hitler is satisfied, London is satisfied, Paris is satisfied. At least 20 are dead and 150 wounded. And if Hitler would not be satisfied with that, well, he must be permitted to kill some more women and children. The main thing is to satisfy Hitler.

It appears that even Secretary Hull is satisfied. Though by killing an American social service worker is an outrageous violation of international law, Secretary Hull "maintains calm."

"Maintaining calm" is the prized attainment of capitalist diplomacy. The British destroyer, which the New York Times says was stationed off Almeria on international patrol to "prevent intervention," laid there and watched the most barbarous kind of intervention for the 40 minutes the Nazi fleet shelled Almeria.

As the Times puts it, the British ship "witnessed the attack." It did nothing else. Like Anthony Eden, its commander "remained calm."

That ship symbolizes the whole "fake of non-intervention blockade." There have been repeated reports of cargoes stopped and men arrested, trying to get into Loyalist Spain. But never a single gun or man has been halted by British and French ships or border guards from entering Franco's territory.

General Mola, in many dispatches, was reported "bringing up artillery reinforcements" in his drive on Bilbao. Last week French reports openly said that the fascists closed the French border to allow German troops to land "unseen" at San Sebastian. A fine "blockade!"

Still more of an affront, the free permission—though forbid by the "non-intervention pact"—for German and Italian warships to enter fascist harbors, to land troops and bases. Sick Anthony Eden tries to make out the ships went there "to rest." Poor, tired warships! No sensible person can read that alibi without gagging.

Because it is clear that, instead of using their merchant ships to carry men and munitions to Franco, Italy and Germany are using their warships, which pass unchallenged, where merchant vessels may not.

Where else has Franco obtained his stream of supplies, a big stream? He has utterly no war industry. The Loyalists have it all. But the combined British and French fleets have not stopped so much as a pop-gun. Even a poor memory should recall last Friday, before five Italian planes bombed Valencia. They came from Italy by way of Majorca. Who allowed that? The British and French "blockaders."

Berlin claims: "The German men of war had been careful in bombing Almeria to take only military reprisals and not to involve civilians."

And London, to help the lie, says: "After the harbor works had been destroyed and hostile batteries silenced (Note: As if the shore batteries fired first!—H.G.), the act of retaliation was terminated."

Oh, no! Guernica was not destroyed! Madrid civilians not shelled! Malaga refugees not machine-gunned! The passenger ship City of Barcelona not sunk by torpedoes 12 hours before Almeria! Please observe what is called "harbor works" and "batteries": the International Red Cross; the San Sebastian church; the principal hospital; the Mexican consulate.

And it appears that women and children manned those "hostile batteries." Because the United Press reports:—"Among the twenty bodies recovered were those of six women and one child." Perhaps they were in the coast artillery! What outrageous lying!

"One woman was so badly hurt," continues the United Press story of the wounded, "that, when taken to an emergency relief station, physicians immediately amputated both arms. While the operation proceeded, she gave birth to a child."

What horrible experience in the sacred hour of motherhood! Any crime can be expected from fascism. But when the British gloss this over and join with Hitler and Mussolini to "demand assurances" that their supply of men and munitions to Franco must not be interfered with by democratic Spain—words fall!

The fact is that the drive on Bilbao is failing and, as before, retaliative murder of civilians is ordered deliberately. But with all the aid these hypocritical "neutrals" can give, the coming great offensive of misdirected Spain will not save fascism from utter defeat.

Soviet Press Assails London Papers on Almeria

Chicago Massacre To Be Protested at Meeting for Spain

James W. Ford, Negro Communist Leader, to Bring Greetings from Lincoln Battalion to Meeting in Chicago Sunday

CHICAGO, Ill., June 2.—The police massacre of striking workers and their families at the Republic Steel Corporation last Sunday will be protested at the huge Spanish Aid meeting, being held Sunday, June 6 at 8 P.M. at the Ashland Auditorium. At this meeting, Morris Childs, Illinois State Secretary of the Communist Party, will expose the bloody brutality with which Chicago police killed 6 workers and wounded scores of others.

The main speaker at the Ashland Auditorium meeting will be James W. Ford, member of the Central Committee of the Communist Party, who has just returned from the battlefronts of Spain. He will bring with him a special message from Americans fighting in the Lincoln Battalion. The meeting will be a high point of the Spanish Aid Week of May 30 to June 9. It is being publicized through thousands of leaflets, including a special leaflet addressed to Catholics.

CHICAGO FASCIST CONSULS TO BE PICKETED SATURDAY

CHICAGO, Ill., June 2.—New fire was added to the Spain Week campaign here by the German bombardment of Almeria Monday. The American League against War and Fascism pushed its plans for picketing the Nazi German and Fascist Italian consulates, which will mark the high point in their week's activity.

The two consulates will be picketed Saturday morning, June 5. Pickets will gather at the Fur Workers Union headquarters, third floor, 189 No. Clark St., at 9:30 and go from there to the Italian Consulate at 201 North Wells Street. The delegation, composed of trade union, church and civic group leaders, will gather at the same hour, 9:30 A.M., in the office of the American League Against War and

V. D. Scudder Quits Trotsky Committee

Wellesley Professor Resigns After Return of Dewey and Others from 'Trial' in Mexico—Informs Research Group

Vida D. Scudder, professor emeritus of English at Wellesley College, and a veteran in radical circles, has resigned from the American Committee for the Defense of Leon Trotsky, the Daily Worker learned yesterday.

Professor Scudder made known her resignation from that body in a letter to Grace Hutchins, of the Labor Research Association.

She withdrew her name from the committee, Professor Scudder said, after Prof. John Dewey and a so-called "impartial" committee which conducted a "trial" of Trotsky in Mexico City, returned to the United States.

Professor Scudder's resignation follows that of a number of other liberals from the committee. In almost every instance, the liberals withdrew after becoming aware of the Trotskyite control of the so-called impartial committee and the fundamental anti-Soviet bias of the group.

Plan Memorial For 2 Who Died Defending Spain

A memorial to commemorate the death of two Americans who died in Spain fighting for democracy will be held on Monday, June 7, 6:30 p.m. at Mecca Temple, 133 W. 58th St.

Rudolph Teiger of Local 16 of the Walters and Waitresses Union and Morris Jellin of Local 88 of the Furriers Union were active union members when they left to help the Spanish people in their struggle against fascism.

Included among those who will speak will be Irving Potash, assistant manager of the Fur Workers' Union; Wm. Albertson, Secretary-Treasurer of the Walters Union; Tigger's local; Charles Krumbein, State Secretary of the Communist Party; and Arthur Vassini, an aviator, who has just returned from the Spanish front. The affair is under the auspices of Section 2 of the Communist Party.

Spanish Week Funds Arrive To Aid Refugees, Children

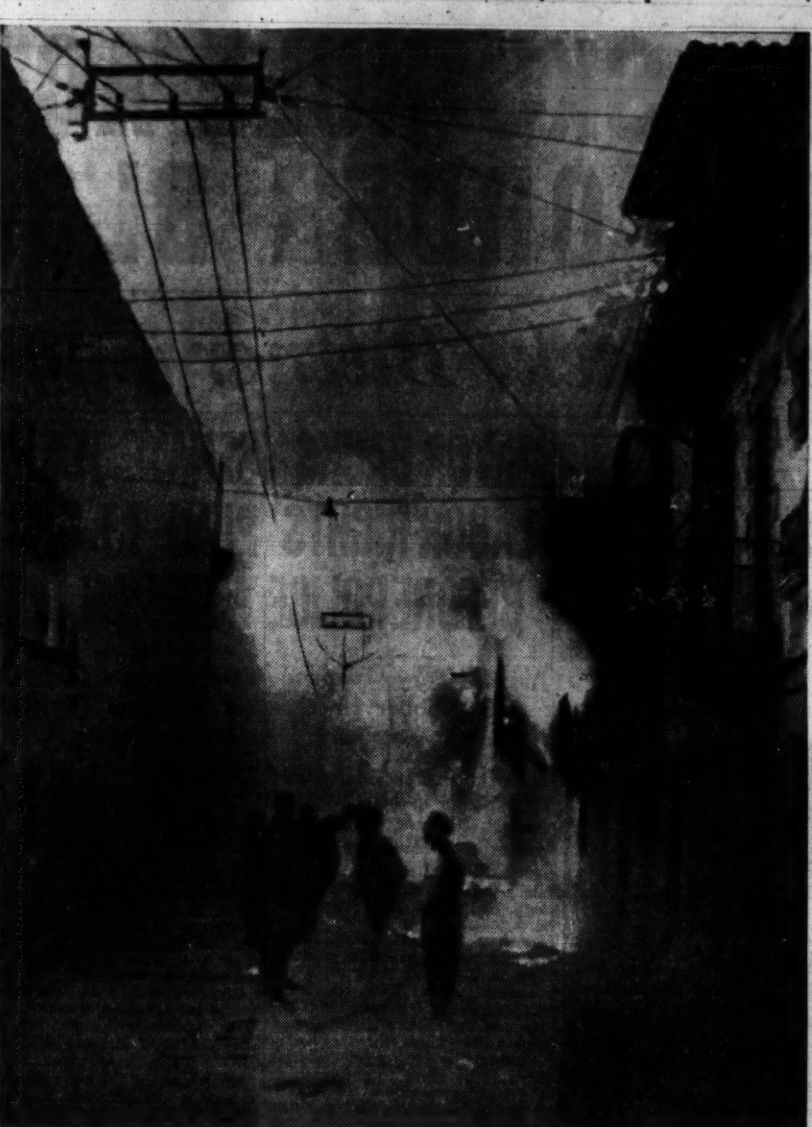
The first day's returns, amounting to \$1,735.32 for the \$100,000 campaign for the relief of hundreds of thousands of child refugees of the Spanish rebellion were received in New York on Wednesday.

The contributions were made by liberal and labor organizations which are participating in Spanish Aid Week activities between May 30 and June 9.

The largest single contribution so far received, one of \$350, came from the Washington, D. C., chapter of the American Friends of Spanish Democracy.

It was ear-marked "for the relief

Nazi Planes Bomb and Destroy Basque Town



This exclusive photograph, sent to the Daily Worker by "ROJO," newspaper of the Basque Communist Party, shows a Basque town in flames after a devastating air attack during which Nazi planes rained down incendiary bombs on the open, unfortified town.

Vatican Recalls Berlin Nuncio After Nazi Attack on Catholics

The Vatican yesterday virtually broke off all relations with the Nazi German Government by withdrawing its Nuncio from Berlin, leaving only a charge d'affaires to look after routine.

This follows the recent persecutions of the Catholic Church by the Nazis, and the refusal of the Vatican to rebuke Cardinal Mundelein of Chicago for his bitter denunciation of the Hitler Regime.

Cardinal Mundelein of Chicago blasted the Hitler regime as a tyranny which was menacing millions of religious Germans, and declared that Hitler was attempting to defile the German people.

German Social-Democrats Map People's Front Draft Program

PRAGUE, June 2.—A draft program for a German People's Front has been submitted to the Executive Committee of the German Social-Democratic Party by a group of leading Social-Democratic functionaries in one of the biggest German cities.

The draft program, reprinted in a recent number of "Die Rote Fahne," illegal central organ of the German Communist Party, was brought to Prague by a German delegation which travelled illegally across the Czechoslovak frontier.

The delegation stressed before the Prague Executive Committee of the German Social-Democratic Party, which to date has refused united front proposals from the German Communists, that the unity of Communists and Socialists lies at the base of any People's Front.

Smashes Hitler Photo In Nazi Consulate

MONTREAL, June 2 (UP).—Joseph Fuentes, 33, a Spaniard, native of Almeria, who stormed into the Nazi Consulate office here and smashed a picture of Adolf Hitler yesterday, was held without bail when he was arraigned in police court today.

Fuentes was charged with damaging property valued at \$25 and with insulting the head of a foreign state.

Louis Fitch, attorney for Fuentes, told the court that the value placed on Hitler's picture "seems to be overestimated."

Following is the text of the tentative program:

"Resolved, to free Germany from the disgrace and shame of the dictatorship; resolved, to bring a halt to the disintegration of society by the war economy of the Four-Year plan; and resolved, to fight against the danger of a new world war by all methods.

"The democratic, Socialist and Communist parties and groups of Germany have united into a German People's Front, and appeal to which to date has refused united front proposals from the German Communists, that the unity of Communists and Socialists lies at the base of any People's Front.

"1. The overthrow and destruction of the Hitler dictatorship.

"2. Law and justice for everyone: abolition of 'blood justice,' liberation of political prisoners, punishment for criminals, and reparation for victims of injustice.

"3. Freedom of religion and ideology, state protection for full religious practice, freedom of press, assembly and organization.

"4. Full self-government and self-rule of the German people in a republic of Germany of political, economic and social democracy.

"5. A halt to armament construc-

British Support of Hitler Condemned

International Opinion Will Respond to 'Spain's Call for World-Wide Protests of Bombing of Seaport, Pravda Declares

MOSCOW, June 2.—Efforts to aid the fascist aggressors by considering the Almeria slaughter a "closed incident" were condemned today by Pravda, Communist Party newspaper. Pravda's fire was directed especially at certain London newspapers backing Hitler's announcement that the Nazi regime is "satisfied" with the bombardment of the Spanish seaport town.

No Pasaran Singers Swell Smoke Fund

A group of 50 young men calling themselves the "No Pasaran Singers" who have been entertaining on street corners and at parties have raised \$600 for the members of the Abraham Lincoln Battalion, Phil Bard, executive secretary of the Friends of the Abraham Lincoln Battalion, announced today.

Originally only a dozen, the singers found the going so successful that they increased their number in order to do more effective work.

They have done a great deal of impromptu entertaining around Union Square and are planning to attend a large number of outdoor affairs this summer to raise money for the Battalion.

They are offering their services to any group planning such an affair provided the proceeds go to the Friends of the Abraham Lincoln Battalion. They may be booked on application to the Friends of the Lincoln Battalion, 125 West 45th Street.

Fight Against Mellon Trust To Be Pushed

WASHINGTON, June 2 (UP).—Attorney General Homer S. Cummings declared today that "we have just begun to fight" in the government anti-trust prosecution against the Aluminum Company of America now pending in New York Federal District Court.

"We are neither discouraged nor disheartened over the status of the case," Cummings said when asked about progress of efforts to break a stalemate which has halted proceedings in the case.

Government attorneys were restrained from proceeding in the New York case by a temporary injunction issued by Judge Robert M. Gibson of the Pittsburgh Federal District Court.

Cummings said the department has not decided what we are going to do or when we are going to do it.

Guilty Conscience? Nazis Rap Speech by Noted U.S. Scientist

BERLIN, June 2 (UP).—Dr. Robert A. Millikan, famous physicist of the California Institute of Technology, fell under the disfavor of the Nazis today.

Voelkischer Beobachter, Nazi Party newspaper, quoted Dr. Millikan as saying in a speech at Copenhagen that "the world has not known for 300 years a reaction similar to that prevailing today, attempting to lead mankind back to an authoritative irrationality and unscientific superstition."

Commenting on this, the newspaper severely criticized Dr. Millikan.

Get a copy of "From Bryan to Stalin," by William Z. Foster, entirely FREE. See the Sunday Worker for details.

Summer Is Coming On Fast—'Daily's' Circulation Going Up

Ask any circulation man on a capitalist newspaper and he will tell you that summer is coming on, and summer is always a slow time for circulation; in fact, he'll tell you it's inevitable that newspaper circulation goes down in summer.

Actually, there's nothing untruthful about such a statement, for experience has shown the capitalist publications that their readers fall away sharply during summer. The years have proved it.

It's different with our working class newspaper, the Daily and Sunday Worker. It just refuses to be bound by any such bourgeois convention.

The circulation of the paper, in fact, is rising with the summer heat. And that is because the Communist Party Districts and friendly organizations, actively enlisted in the circulation drive have decided that summer's warmth need not prevent circulation from going up if enough energetic work is done to boost the paper.

WELCOMED IN HOMES

An outstanding example of this has been demonstrated recently in Harlem. The Nat Turner Branch of the Communist Party there has gripped hold of the problem of pushing the Daily and Sunday

Advertising of Birth Control Is Upheld in Ontario

TORONTO, Ont., June 2 (UP).—The Ontario Court of Appeals today unanimously dismissed an appeal brought by the Crown against the ruling of an Eastview magistrate who acquitted Miss Dorothea Palmer, a social worker, charged before him with "advertising by methods of birth control" means of a pamphlet means and

Parade Sat. To Protest Nazi Attack

Stating that "the crime of Hitler and Mussolini against Spain in their cruel bombardment of Almeria will not go unanswered," Jim Barker, Manhattan County Executive Secretary of the Young Communist League, announced an emergency parade and meeting on Saturday, June 5 at 1 P.M.

The parade is being called jointly by the Manhattan County and Harlem Divisions of the Young Communist League. In addition, two other demonstrations, protesting against open intervention by Hitler and Mussolini in Spain, are being held by the Brooklyn and Bronx divisions of the Y.C.L.

The Manhattan parade starts at 83rd St. and 1st Ave. and will go through the German populated Yorkville neighborhood, terminating in a mass meeting in Spanish Harlem at 113th St. and Lenox Ave. at 3 P.M.

Sam Brown, Communist Party Organizer in Section 24, yesterday urged all members to support the parade.

Education Gets Fifth of Soviet Georgian Budget

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, June 2.—One-fifth of the 1937 budget of the Georgian Soviet Socialist Republic, approved today by the Central Executive Committee, is marked for the department of education.

The total budget of the Republic for 1937, final year of the Five Year Plan, is 755,255,000 rubles (about \$150,000,000), which is 22 per cent more than the 1936 budget.

Jersey Police Attack Picket Line of 1,600 At Big Laundry Plant

Use Tear Gas, Clubs Against Pickets at Little Falls Laundry—Dyers Join Strikers in Fight for Decent Working Conditions

LITTLE FALLS, N. J., June 2.—A savage attack by Jersey police today against 600 striking laundry workers and 1,000 dye workers who had joined them on the picket line at the Little Falls Laundry, resulted in 27 workers being injured. Tear-gas bombs, clubs and other weapons were used by police. Firemen, posted on rooftops directed streams of water upon the pickets from high pressure hose.

[Mayor James B. Long of Little Falls said he would ask Gov. Harold G. Hoffman to send a force of state police to the community "strong enough to prevent further violence," the United Press reported.]

[Holderman announced he had applied with the National Labor Relations Board a complaint charging that the laundry company denied the right of its employees to join the union.]

The strike, now in its third week, was called by Local 1733 of the Federation of Dyers, Finishers, Printers and Bleachers, a C.I.O. affiliate.

Unbearably long hours—50 to 60 a week—and inadequate pay, was the cause of the strike. The strikers are demanding shorter hours and an increase in pay.

Leading the large and militant picket line before police attacked were Charles Vigorito, president of Local 1733; John Lyding, vice president; Carl Holderman, C.I.O. leader, and Tony Ventura, business agent of the union. Ventura was arrested but quickly released under pressure from the strikers.

The 1,000 dye workers who joined the picket line today was an answer to the injunctions issued against the striking laundry workers.

Sheriff John A. Gavin, who was conspicuously involved in today's attack "read the riot act" to the strikers and then left.

With the large majority of the 800 employees now out, the remaining workers indicate they will soon join the strikers. The union expects to win its demands in spite of the stubborn resistance of the employers and police brutality.

Wally, Edward to Wed Today in French Town

MONTS. France, June 2.—The Duke of Windsor and Mrs. Wallis Warfield will be married here tomorrow at 11:30 a. m. (6:30 a. m. Eastern Daylight Time).

The civil ceremony will be followed by a Church of England ceremony to be performed by the Rev. R. Anderson Jardine, vicar of St. Paul's Church, Darlington, England.

A WORLD SCOOP!



M. V. VODOPYANOV

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Chicago Steel Strikers' Wives Did Brave First Aid Work After Attack

Boy Shot in Leg Tells Women to Take Care of Others Hurt

An eyewitness account of the scene in union headquarters following the bloody massacre of Chicago steel strikers by police is told by Elizabeth Sloan in the following story.

By Elizabeth Sloan

It was only a few minutes after the crowd had left the meeting to march to the plant, that first tear bombs and then bullets whizzed through the air. The wind blew the tear gas back at the policemen, but the strikers got the bullets.

Two cars at the rear were soon filled with wounded. A woman with her leg a bright red river of blood, an eight-year-old boy shot in the foot, men being carried by their fellow strikers, were the first to be brought to the strike headquarters where first aid was being given.

But first aid was not of any use for many of the wounded. The cry of "man for the hospital" went up. Cars were brought as fast as possible to transfer those who were hurt worst to the hospital.

One man, shot in the abdomen, lay on the floor bleeding, vomiting, but there wasn't a groan from him. The minutes that it took to get him into a car seemed hours to the women who were doing their best to mobilize the cars.

The little boy who was shot in the foot told the women to take care of the men whose heads were cracked. "I'm only shot in the foot."

The South-Works Women's Auxiliary did a splendid job of helping the doctors to give first aid. No one had expected such a slaughter, and clothes were scarce, but everything available was used.

The women took care of minor cuts and bruises themselves. They prepared the men for the doctors, quieted those who were only slightly wounded and encouraged them to wait their turn patiently. Not one of the women from the Auxiliary showed a single white feather, although it was hours before some of them saw their husbands and sons who had left to be in the front rank of the march.

ILGWU Local Protests Cops' Attack on Pickets

Prompt and indignant protest against the massacre perpetrated by the Chicago police at the South Chicago plant of the Republic Steel Company resulting in the death of five and wounding of scores of others, was voiced here by Dressmakers Union Local 22, ILGWU, an organization of 30,000 workers in telegrams sent by Chas. S. Zimmerman, head of the union, to Mayor Edward Kelly of Chicago and President Roosevelt. Immediate intervention of the President in the critical situation is requested.

DAILY WORKER

SPECIAL CHICAGO SUPPLEMENT

Brands Police Murderers

URGES MURDER HARSH STRIKERS CHARGE AGAINST KELLY'S POLICE CLOSE REPUBLIC

Reproduced above is the masthead and headlines from the Chicago supplement of the Daily Worker. This single page sheet, published in the city during the steel strike by the Daily Worker Midwest Bureau, gave to the steel strikers full daily coverage on all developments in their great walkout.

Police Stand by As Thug Fights Woman Picket

(Daily Worker Midwest Bureau)

CHICAGO, June 2.—In marked contrast to their murderous "defense of property" at Republic steel mills, Chicago police only stood by and laughed when a ruffian fought with a woman picket in front of City Hall, and tore a placard out of her hands.

The women were members of the Women's Auxiliary of the Republic Lodge, Amalgamated Association of Iron Steel and the Workers. They were protesting the murderous police attack on pickets Sunday afternoon.

About 15 picketed the "seat of government" for two hours, amid insulting remarks from all the little shyster politicians that cluster around the building, looking for graft.

One of the political scum grabbed the banner from a young woman picket. She fought back, but he overpowered her and took the banner away.

CIO Electrical Workers Out In Ambridge

PITTSBURGH, Pa., June 2.—

The sudden maneuver by the National Electric Products Corp. at Ambridge in granting of a closed shop agreement to the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers of the A. F. of L. was answered with a strike by the United Electrical & Radio Workers of the C.I.O. which closed the plant today.

A large picket line was placed around the plant which employs 1,800.

Ernest de Maio, general organizer of the U. E. & R. W., said that the strike was called because the company suddenly announced that it recognized the I.B.E.W. while the C.I.O. affiliate was negotiating an agreement for a majority of the workers.

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WANTED. Men and women, youths as well as adults, to fill important responsible jobs as carriers and promotional street sellers for Daily and Sunday Worker. Only a few hours a day required which

F.D.R. to Send Special Message On Planning

WASHINGTON, June 2 (UP)—

President Roosevelt will send to Congress at noon tomorrow a special message asking enactment of a national planning program to preserve the country's resources by TVA-like developments, the White House revealed today.

The message, running about 1,700 words, has been completed but could not be sent to Capitol Hill today because the Senate was in recess.

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POLICE PLOT NEW ATTACK, SAYS BITTNER

Chicago Cops Violate
Agreement to Allow
Picketing at Mill

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poration knows full well that if our pickets are allowed to exercise their rights as American citizens and peacefully picket the plant, that the men inside will leave. Fear built up by these strong men of violence for the purpose of intimidating the men inside as well as the pickets would disappear and the controversy with Republic Steel Corporation could be settled in five minutes.

Bittner denounced the red scare, and pointed out that Girdler and the Tribune had used it last year against President Roosevelt.

He defended the right of all workers, whether steel employees or not, to take part in the picket line. Every worker has a vital interest in the steel union victory, he declared, and "we are citizens of the United States, not any individual state." He said 900,000 men died in the Civil War to establish that principle and "make this nation a closed shop."

Answering a Tribune reporter, whose paper charged the Sunday picket line intended to storm the plant, Bittner said: "The purpose of the Sunday parade was just this: the boys gathered to march down there and march by the plant peacefully demonstrating the strength of the strike and persuade those inside to come out. There is no truth in the statement we wanted to take the plant."

He added that if he had wanted to answer the police, he wouldn't have sent unarmed, or armed with a few sticks against guns. And "if we'd wanted to go through the police, we'd have gone through."

Bittner scored those who raised the red scare. He declared it a smoke screen. He said the steel corporations hired Communists. If steel companies hired only Democrats, the union would be all Democrats, he declared, blasting the sincerity of "red howlers."

The steel corporations, Ford, Mellon—all sell to the Soviet Union, he pointed out. "It's alright to sell to a Communist for profit, but when he goes out on strike for higher wages, he's an s.o.b.," he stated.

PHONY PATRIOTISM

Bittner also attacked the "patriotism" of steel corporations, pointing out the war record of Schwab who refused to sell steel to the United States because of higher British contracts.

He pointed out that steel workers were fighting Republic Steel, not trying to reform Chicago police, who are notorious for corruption. He pointed to a picture of a banquet in Hotel Morrison in which Al Capone stands with his arm around Sen. Dineen's shoulders and showed the close connections of Capone and city affairs. There was no arrest till the government took him for income tax violation.

"We didn't come here to reform the police department, it's too big a job for us," he remarked. But he paid respects to the officer who said in South Chicago: "I wonder if they'll feed us out there tonight," by saying he didn't think much of men "who sell themselves for a sandwich."

MARCHES WITH PICKETS

Bittner marched on the picket line for an hour Tuesday evening, to test sincerity of police promise of unlimited picketing. He found they curtailed picketing even then.

New horrors came to light today as police victims are admitted to bail, after being held without booking, incommunicado, for three days. Harry Harper, held in Bridewell Prison Hospital, had both eyes gouged out—old Capone's trick.

Police harassed relatives of wounded when they sought admission to hospitals—to see victims of the Sunday slaughter. It took threat of habeas corpus proceedings to get men booked so they could be bailed out and put in safe hands.

Police are drinking heavily, in saloons around murder scene, according to affidavits in S.W.O.C. hands.

Attorneys are investigating the Sunday massacre, seeking evidence of police guilt in murder of six and wounding of scores. Earl Hough, general counsel of the United Mine Workers, heads the law brigade.

A mass funeral will be held for the dead on Thursday, at 2 P.M.

Spain's Envoy Is Called to Valencia Parley

WASHINGTON, June 2 (UP).—Spanish Ambassador Fernando de los Rios has been called to Valencia to consult with the government on the present crisis, the Spanish embassy said today.

The Ambassador plans to sail for Spain a week from today on the Queen Mary but will return to Washington after conferences in Valencia, the embassy said. His family will remain here.

Embassy Counselor Dr. Don Enrique Carlos de la Casa will become Charge d'Affaires of the embassy during the Ambassador's absence.

House Told Mail Planes Good for Bombers in War

WASHINGTON, June 2.—That 1,000 planes in air mail service today can be quickly transformed into bombing planes was disclosed today by Chairman James M. Mead, New York Democrat, of the House Post Office Committee.

Steel vs. Liberty

AN EDITORIAL

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in his plants. He defies the American people in effect, by the cynical admission that he maintains a private army, armed to the teeth.

WHAT WILL THE AMERICAN PEOPLE DO ABOUT THIS?

WILL THEY PERMIT THE GIRDERS AND WEIRS TO MAINTAIN THESE MURDEROUS MOBS OF THUGS?

"I never knew a steel plant that didn't have guns."

That is Girdler's literal statement to the press.

It is a damning admission. Private arsenals exist in these United States, in defiance of all law, directed against the people's liberties. They are controlled by the feudal lords of industry, cut-throats as vicious as any Al Capone.

"Our company police are armed," Girdler struttingly declares.

They were these "company police"—the usual assortment of gunmen and thugs—who first fired upon the picket lines in the Ohio centers. They gave the signal, so to speak, for the Chicago cops, in the corrupt collusion with the Republic Steel Corporation.

Six workers have been killed. But how many more are to be murdered at the hands of the Girdlers and Weirs, before the American people, by their indignation, stop this barbarous policy of the law-defying steel companies?

John L. Lewis eloquently put the case before the entire nation: "Somewhere in this nation should be a force strong enough to bring these uniformed killers and their co-conspirators to justice."

"Somewhere in this nation there should be a force greater than a steel company."

Where is this force?

"Somewhere in this nation there should be enough earnest and honest citizens to compel action by the Federal and State authorities."

There is the needed force: the mass of the people! The murders at Chicago and the gunfiring in Ohio are not only the concern of the workers. They come home deeply to the entire American people. They affect the future and the liberties of the small business man and the farmer.

The Steel Trust, the Utilities Trust and all the other monopolies are the sworn enemies of these small business men and farmers.

THE FIGHT TO DISARM THE GIRDERS AND TO STOP THEIR TERROR IS A PEOPLE'S FIGHT.

In Michigan, during the General Motors terror, the Conference for the Protection of Civil Rights performed an outstanding service. It rallied the people of Michigan who believe in civil liberties to the defense of the auto strikers. It aided to beat back the Flint Alliances and the other vigilante groups of the big auto corporations.

Chicago's crying need is for a similar organization and for similar action. This is likewise the case in Ohio.

The small business men of the steel centers, the professional men who stand for democratic rights, and the farmers of the neighboring agricultural area can be drawn together (with the trade unions) in a powerful movement.

They can speak out. They can bring pressure that will assure the ending of steel murder, of private arsenals and of private armies in violation of all law.

They can command that Tom Girdler and his co-conspirators in organized murder be put behind the bars.

If the Republic Steel Corporation's campaign of bloodshed and law defiance is not halted, it will be launched soon against all the masses of the people. The small business man and the farmer will feel its iron heel as well as the working people.

"It is dictatorship which we find in the steel industry," declares the Social Action Council of the Congressional and Christian Churches.

That statement, made yesterday, is true. And it is encouraging to note that it is made.

"The important and obvious task," this church council announced, "is the uniting of all forces to support the C. I. O. organization campaign."

The uniting of all forces is urgently essential for the support of the C. I. O. drive in steel and for the halting of the murder program of the steel corporations.

The people—speaking through trade unions, farm groups, small business men's associations, church bodies and professional groups—can enforce the people's mandate of Nov. 3.

They can, in the words of Lewis, "compel action by the Federal and State authorities."

THE AMERICAN PEOPLE—THROUGH SUCH UNITED EFFORT—CAN DEFEAT THE LIBERTY LEAGUES OF REPUBLIC STEEL AND THEIR MURDER PROGRAM.

P.R. Is Held Valid, 6-1, Food for Steel By High Court

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courts which place themselves above legislative bodies.

A group of lawyers representing each of the city's five boroughs brought the second case. They included John E. Bove, John F. Collins, Charles G. Ooster, J. E. Dunham, F. L. Gross, John G. Jackson, G. C. Miller, E. S. Moran, Jr., R. E. T. Riggs, John Godfrey Saxe, and William J. Wallace.

Under proportional representation the voters elect councilmen from the borough as a whole instead of from small districts. Candidates are listed alphabetically. Instead of voting for one, the voter ballots for all, numbering the ballot in order of his choice.

A candidate receiving 75,000 first choices is declared elected. The remainder of the ballots with his name first are distributed to the second choices and so on.

Judges Lehman and O'Brien concurred in the results of the majority opinion, but wrote opinions of their own.

Judge Harlan Rippey cast the only dissenting vote.

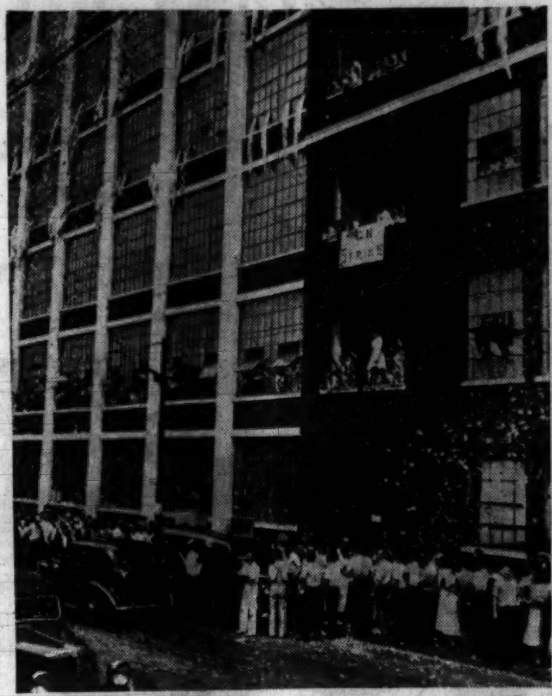
In the majority opinion, Crane said: "This proposed system may be unworkable; it may be so cumbersome or so intricate as to be impracticable, the results desired may not be obtained, the remedy may be worse than the disease but what have all this to do with the constitution?"

"If the people of the City of New York want to try the system, make the experiment and have voted to do so, we as a court should be very slow in determining that the act is unconstitutional, until we can put our finger upon the very provisions of the constitution which prohibit it."

"It has been our separate admonitions that legislation should not be declared unconstitutional, unless it clearly appears to be; all doubts should be resolved in favor of the constitutionality of an act."

"This Court has repeatedly stated that the wisdom of legislation is not for us to determine."

Mark 3rd Week of Sitdown



Sitdown strikers at the Apex Knitting Mills plant in Philadelphia throw paper from the windows in a demonstration on the end of the third week of their strike.

Hell's Kitchen Gasps As the Mercury Soars

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350 of the nearest dwelling units in the city, built handsomely around a garden. For as little as \$2,500 a year you can get five rooms full of quite decent breezes, though your maid would have to sleep out.

Some people prefer terrace apartments, the renting people told me. Terrace apartments belong to the penthouse family generally. They're high in the building with a view of the city to make you love New York and a sunset for every evening with the clouds so close to your window that you can almost reach out and pull the little ones in.

Quite reasonable, too, some of the terrace apartments. You can have one on Sutton Place, five rooms with two baths and a view of the shining East River, for \$2,400 a year.

IT'S ALL SO QUIET

I followed a heavy old woman in stiff corsets and a fine straw hat out of the fancy Park Avenue neighborhood. She was hobbling with foot trouble too, her 60-year-old legs all got up in sheer silk and high-heeled pumps. She was with a friend whom she told of her visit in Rye over the weekend. She returned so disgusted and bored, she'd not go up again.

"All we did was sleep and eat," she complained. "The place is absurdly quiet, like a convent almost. Interesting birds they have on the estate, though. All colors from all places. Quite an investment they've put into the birds."

"But what silence, except for the birds. What devastating silence. My dear, you'd have thought I went up to look at the trees."

FOUR ROOMS—\$20

Fifth Avenue was her stop and she turned and hobbled in the direction of the shops where weekend costumes filled the windows with gay colors. I passed her and went on toward the river. Where thousands of kids who've never been close to trees, yelled and sweltered in Hell's Kitchen.

Apartments here were much more accessible and the janitor at 539 Ninth Avenue said, "It's a shame we've got no bath to these rooms, but you can have them for \$19 instead of \$20."

There was a stationary tub in the kitchen and the janitor said, "So long as you've got no kids to keep washed, you don't need a tub so much. Four rooms for \$20. Two hundred and forty a year. A tenth of the rental for the cheaper Park Avenue joints."

"THEIR SUMMER PALE"

And packed full of kids, these \$18 and \$20 homes on the West Side. Next door I found the Mallard family, six pretty, small ones racing through a rickety hall while their mother washed in the kitchen. The children are already getting their summer tan.

"I'm always afraid I'll lose one of them, when summer time comes around," she told me. "They get so sick."

"The 'El' screamed by and you could have reached out and grabbed a man's hat from the train, it was that close. I asked if the noise bothered her much but she put her hand to each side of her head and pushed it back and forth.

"Who am I to complain of the noise," she asked. "The old man pays the rent for this and it's the best we can do. He works in the subway and comes home tired."

FROM GUTTER TO SKY

"I try to get through with the day and put the children in the bed before he's here. The 'El' were used to. You get used to lots of things you have to. The old man says it keeps the summer sun away from the windows, but that ain't exactly true."

Harlem and the eastside and westside and all other poor parts of the city. You can't have a bath to your own family or windows for every room and there's the everyday danger of fire.

It's a picturesque city, looking down from a terrace apartment—but the view from the gutter to the sky is something else again, as slum dwellers on all sides of New York can tell you.

Italy and Nazis Order Labor Rights

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Nazi warships bombed Almeria, the fascist dictators instructed their reinforced fleets to stop all ships going to Spanish Loyalist ports.

Hitler's orders resulted immediately in dispatching of another destroyer and four submarines, each capable of launching six torpedoes simultaneously to Spanish waters.

Mussolini issued blanket instructions to the fascist fleet to stop all merchant vessels approaching Loyalist ports, and to enforce their piracy with their guns.

OWN COMMITTEE

As members of the Non-Intervention Committee, the patrol ships were obliged to stay ten miles from the Spanish coast. Neither Nazi nor Italian ships observed this rule, but actively assisted in carrying on naval warfare against Spain.

Out of the committee, the fascist aggressors practically set up their own "intervention committee" to keep the Spanish Government from getting supplies.

Mussolini's and Hitler's blockade decision amounts to an announcement that Italian and German warships will act as pirates on the high seas.

Under international law, one of the most serious violations is stopping a merchantman on the high seas. Even in time of war, only a belligerent power is "authorized" to halt foreign shipping, and even then with the risk of creating an "incident."

For almost 48 hours two union planes managed to prevent the company planes from landing. The aerial warfare ended when the company planes proved too numerous. A number of times strikers managed to secure food intended for scabs when the packages of food were dropped, falling outside the mill gates.

A small green plane suffered the most serious injury today when it struck a pile of lumber alongside the runway, bounded in the air and then struck a box car. One wing was broken off.

The second plane damaged its landing gear.

Brownshirt Slugs Rabbi— Not in Germany—Sunnyside

Roosevelt and
Aides Discuss
'Neutrality'

Conference Resulted
from Nazi Attack
on Almeria

WASHINGTON, June 2.—The question of American "neutrality" in the fascist war on Spain was discussed for two hours today by President Roosevelt and his chief diplomatic advisers.

Present at the conference were Secretary of State Hull, Undersecretary of State Sumner Welles, and Norman H. Davis, U. S. Ambassador-at-Large.

So far, American "neutrality" has resulted in direct aid to the fascists through an embargo imposed by the United States against the lawful Spanish Government.

Similar action against Germany and Italy is being vigorously urged by Congressional progressives and other friends of democracy in the United States.

Today's conference was a direct outgrowth of the Nazi bombardment of the Spanish port of Almeria and the mounting proof that both Hitler and Mussolini are waging "undeclared war" against the Spanish Republic.

"NO NEW DECISIONS"

No formal announcement was made after the conference. Stephen T. Early, secretary to the President, indicated, however, that "no new policies had been formulated and that no new decisions had been reached."

The general international situation was discussed at the meeting, he said.

Senator Key Pittman of Nevada, reactionary chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, passed the buck on application of the embargo to the fascist war makers.

He said it is up to the President to decide whether nations are in a state of war and that the committee "showed no inclination to interfere in the President's discretion in the matter."

"There is nothing we can do to aid the European non-interventionists in keeping the war localized in Spain," Pittman added, "and any attempted action on our part might disrupt their efforts and endanger our own peace."

Pittman defended the private arms business, opposing a proposal by Senator Gerald P. Nye to ban all arms shipments abroad.

Spain to Ask
Almeria Probe

Neutral Inquiry into
Nazi Shelling to
Be Requested

PARIS, June 2.—The Spanish Government will ask the Non-Intervention Committee Monday to set up a neutral board of inquiry into the Nazi shelling of Almeria, Julio Alvarez del Vayo, Spanish League of Nations delegate said today.

If Hitler rejects such a proposal, he said, Spain is willing to lay the matter before the World Court at The Hague.

Meanwhile, the British Foreign Office, which yesterday blocked Spain's request for an immediate meeting of the League Council, maneuvered to "close the Almeria incident" in accordance with Hitler's expressed desires.

To that end, a so-called "four-point program" was submitted to France, Hitler and Mussolini.

The program provides: That France and Great Britain extend their naval control of the Spanish coast to the territory formerly assigned to Italy and Germany until Hitler and Mussolini "decide to return" to the non-intervention committee;

That the four powers "promise not to take punitive measures" against "innocent persons" in the future;

That the four powers order their warships not to enter Spanish ports;

That the control fleets be organized under unified direction.

Del Vayo, speaking at a luncheon of the Anglo-American Press Association here today, said Spain was willing to accept a plan for withdrawal of "foreign volunteers."

"The withdrawal of volunteers is one way to shorten a war, the outcome of which is not doubted by anyone," del Vayo said.

"But we insist that we cannot compare the heroes of the International Brigade—who came to Spain voluntarily to fight for our cause because of their hatred for fascism—with the German and Italian regular troops who were forced to fight in Spain against their will."

"The French Government announced that, since it cannot obtain prizes from Spain for its armaments, it will obtain sulphur from Italy as a substitute."

In Berlin, the British Foreign Office, speaking through Ambassador Neville Henderson, assured Hitler of the British Government's "useful" and "sincere" friendship toward him.

This friendship has become more than obvious in the obstacles that the British Foreign Office has put in the way of international action against the fascist aggression in Spain. It was plainly exercised yesterday when del Vayo demanded League action on the bombing of Almeria and Great Britain blocked it.

15,000 Join
In Protest
On Pogroms

President Asked to Act
by Demonstration in
Union Square

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arms to fascist Italy and Germany. "We are here not as Jews alone but as American citizens to demand that Polish pogroms shall end," James Waterman Wise, son of the noted rabbi said.

"Today we understand that the answer to pogroms is not in charity, protest or escape. Today there is no flight for the Jew. Persecution runs quicker."

ANSWER IS FIGHT

"The answer today is to fight. The young Polish Jews today have arms in their hands to defend themselves."

"The only solution is in solidarity with the working masses of Poland."

"That which is taking place in Poland is not isolated. There is unity in what is happening in Germany, Italy and even here in the United States."

Stressing that the solution of the pogrom question is in a united fight against fascism. Wise referred to the Spanish Loyalists as the front line fighters against fascism.

POLISH SPEAKER

One of the high points of the demonstration was the appearance on the speakers' stand of Miss Ellyn Dytka, who spoke for the Polish section of the International Workers Order. Speaking in Polish she stressed that Polish masses, Jewish and non-Jewish, are uniting against the fascist pogrom makers.

Amter warned against the anti-Semitic evil creeping into the ranks of the labor movement of the United States and called attention to the recent letter of Arthur A. Wharton, president of the International Association of Machinists, in which he referred to the C.I.O. as "out-right scabs and the Jewish organizations with all their red affiliates."

Matthew Woll was similarly cited by Amter as a sponsor of fascism and anti-Semitism.

At one point the Square was filled with cheers when over 500 children of I.W.O. members entered the square carrying placards protesting pogroms and persecution of the Jewish people.

Other speakers included Rabbi Jacob Greenfield, I. Costrell, secretary of the Jewish Bureau of the Communist Party; Herman Shiller, secretary of the International Workers Order of N. Y.; Isidore Apichinsky, of the Furriers Guild Council, A. Suhl, of the Prolet-Pen, an organization of writers, and A. Kamenetsky who acted as chairman.

Text of Letter
to Sec'y Hull

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to every reader of the daily newspapers, facts which have aroused the indignation of civilized people throughout the world. It is no longer possible to evade these facts or escape from the conclusion which must be drawn from them that Italy and Germany are waging an undeclared war against Spain, a democratic government friendly to the United States.

DELAY AID FRANCO

"Failure to recognize these facts and to accept their logical conclusion would be an unequivocal violation of the principle of neutrality laws. Further delay in including Italy and Germany within the embargo now enforced against the legitimate government of Spain is tantamount to a declaration that the United States government, despite all official statements to the contrary, has sided with the traitor General Francisco Franco and his allies, the fascist invaders of Spanish soil."

"After Almeria the American people can no longer accept the reply made by you on a former occasion, namely, that German and Italian participation in the Spanish war has not been established by evidence. To the plain people of this country evidence of Italian and German aggression now appears overwhelming. We also have found the evidence more than sufficient to warrant prompt action."

"In the name of our own constituents, and in the name of millions of American citizens who cherish the American ideals of democracy and peace, we ask that the Department of State to proclaim Italy and Germany nations at war as defined by the Neutrality Act of 1937, and to invoke the terms of that act accordingly."

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Rent Strike Is on in Pontiac Against Jump in the Rates

New Soviet Price Cuts Mean Better Living for Workers

Slashed in USSR Contrast to Fascist Boosts in Living Costs

By Sender Garlin
Daily Worker Moscow Correspondent
MOSCOW, June 2.—The Soviet Government's decision to reduce the prices of consumers' goods between five and 15 per cent went into effect on June 1.

Prices of articles of secondary importance will be lowered July 1. The present price slashes on manufactured goods constitutes another link in the consistent policy pursued by the Soviet Government.

This is a policy of constantly raising the material welfare of the workers in the city and the country. On Stalin's initiative, price cuts of about 50 per cent went into effect in 1935 on bread, cereals, sugar, confectionery products and other articles. Additional price cuts were effected in 1936. Big price slashes were made last year in the Far Eastern territory.

It is a characteristic fact that prices in the Soviet Union constantly go down, while in the capitalist countries, and especially in fascist Germany, Japan and Italy, the cost of living skyrockets.

According to the official statistics published by the Nazi regime, between March, 1933, and March, 1937, vegetable oil prices rose 16 per cent; textiles, 54 per cent; shoes, 36 per cent; peas, 56 per cent; and so on.

SOVIET WORKERS GAIN
In the Soviet Union, which knows no exploiters or parasites, each success in industry and agriculture is reflected in the rising standard of living of the broad masses of workers.

The fulfillment of the second Five-Year Plan before schedule meant the accumulation of additional material resources, which made possible further price reductions.

In 1935, Soviet workers saved two billion rubles as a result of price cuts in government and co-operative trade. In addition, three billion rubles were gained by the population as a result of price cuts on collective farm markets. Last year, the workers saved more than three billion rubles through new price cuts.

A splendid example of the improving welfare of the workers is the fact that retail trade increased from 35.5 billion rubles in 1932 to 106 billion rubles in the Stakhanov year of 1936, at the same time that prices were going down.

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Harness North Pole Winds to Generator

Soviet Explorers at North Pole Colony Use Ice Winds to Recharge Storage Batteries—13 Buildings Set Up

(By Wireless to the Daily Worker)
NORTH POLE, June 2 (Via Moscow).—The icy winds that have been blowing for ages over the Arctic wastes are now in harness and working 24 hours a day for the Soviet North Pole "colony."

After a few minor repairs, the wind-driven engine is now going at full blast. It is being used principally for re-charging storage batteries.

The inhabitants of this drifting colony are now beginning to feel well "settled," 12 days after the first plane landed. The northernmost settlement in the world already has 13 "buildings." The house of the four research scientists is in the center. To it is attached a kitchen made of snow.

EVEN A STREET
A small street is formed by seven tents used as living quarters. A little further on is the weather observatory tent, and beyond that three storehouse tents. The radio apparatus and machine department have been placed in another structure made of ice and snow. Scientific work goes on 24 hours a day.

Regular contact has been established with L. P. Mazuruk, who landed his plane 45 miles away and is awaiting favorable weather to join the rest of the expedition.

PLAN CONCERT FOR NORTH POLE EXPLORERS
MOSCOW, June 2.—The All-Union Radio Committee today decided to broadcast the second concert for the conquerors of the North Pole on June 7 at 8 P.M. Leading artists of Moscow, Leningrad, and Kiev will take part.

Michigan CIO Opens Drive in Utilities

3 Organizers Begin Campaign in Flint After Mortimer Talks to John L. Lewis on Saginaw Power Company Walkout

(Daily Worker Michigan Bureau)
DETROIT, Mich., June 2.—A C.I.O. drive to organize public service and power industries in Michigan, was announced here by Robert Travis, Flint organizer of the United Auto Workers Union.

Kempton Williams, former U.A.W. organizer in Saginaw, John Killinger, Flint auto worker, and Herman Chadwick have been put on the C.I.O. payroll as full time organizers.

This announcement was made following Travis' return from New York, where he accompanied Wyndham Mortimer, U.A.W. vice-president, to confer with John L. Lewis on the Consumers Power Co. strike in Saginaw.

The three new organizers will begin their work in the Flint area, but will eventually expand their activities throughout the State. Power companies, water workers and bus drivers will be included.

EXTRA WERE IN THE UNION, TOO
DETROIT, Mich., June 2.—The Wayne County Newsboys and Carriers Association is one of the newest affiliates of the C.I.O. in this city.

Their charter has been authorized by Rinaldo Cappellini, C.I.O. representative in the Detroit area. Cappellini, speaking to a newsboys' mass meeting, promised them the full cooperation of the C.I.O. in fighting for their demands.

The newsboys organized first as an independent union and called a strike against all three Detroit metropolitan dailies. During the course of the struggle they lined up more than 1,000 members, and are now strengthening their ranks for a final showdown with the papers.

REPUBLICAN COMPANY UNION URGED TO ASK BALLOT
DETROIT, Mich., June 2.—A delegation representing the company union of the struck Republic Steel plant in Monroe, Mich., was advised today by Governor Murphy to petition the National Labor Relations Board for an election in the plant.

The delegation proceeded to Detroit, presumably with the intention of carrying out the Governor's advice. The Monroe plant of Republic Steel employing 1,400 workers, was shut down by a picket line last Friday night, and has remained closed since.

Monroe strikers have been aided by union workers from the Great Lakes Steel Co. and union men from Toledo.

Magistrate Anthony F. Burke punishes men for being poor. In fact, the poorer you are the greater your punishment.

At least that is what Peter Kallos and five other peddlers found out when they were arraigned before him for peddling without a license in or near Central Park.

Peter makes his living by selling ice cream to the youngsters in Central Park. Peter is violating the park ordinances when he sells ice cream without a license.

You will ask the obvious question: Why doesn't Peter get a license. It only costs two dollars.

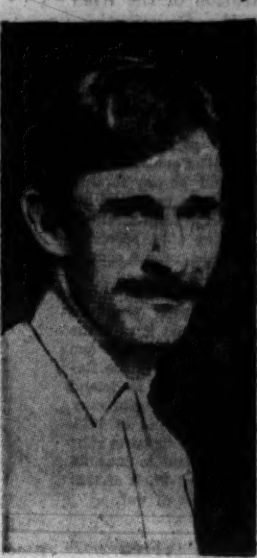
The answer is that Peter Kallos cannot get a license, because selling ice cream or peanuts is a privilege bought by a rich concessionaire from the city. The commissioner does not issue licenses to Peter or his kind.

MUST BREAK LAW
But Peter and his family must live, so he breaks the law and sells ice cream or peanuts. For that he was given a summons.

With Peter Kallos came Arnold Arroyo, Steve Pappas, John Mruk, Hyman Mesinkoff and Michael Eisner.

They all came to answer summonses issued to them by a Central Park cop who charged them with selling ice cream. They all came to Yorkville Court on E. 57th St. and they appeared before Magistrate Burke.

57 Years Old Today



J. B. McNAMARA

Foster Greet J. B. McNamara On Birthday

Noted Labor Prisoner 26 Years in Prison—Longest of Any

William Z. Foster, chairman of the Communist Party yesterday sent a telegram of birthday greetings to James B. McNamara, one of America's most noted class war prisoners.

McNamara spent his fifty-seventh birthday behind the bars of California's notorious Folsom prison, when he received Foster's greeting. The telegram read:

"Warmest comrades greetings on your fifty-seventh birthday. May you live to yet enjoy many years in freedom among the workers you have served so well."

"J. B. McNamara was sentenced to prison in 1911, after being found guilty of the bombing of the Los Angeles 'Times' Building, actually the work of provocateurs. He has spent 26 years in prison, the longest period ever served by any political prisoner.

Begin Sitdown In Chevrolet Saginaw Plant

Packard Sitdown Stops Factory—Schedule Negotiations

SAGINAW, Mich., June 2.—A shutdown of the Chevrolet Service Parts plant here by the management was turned into a sitdown by 500 workers today.

The shutout occurred when the management turned off the electric power supply in reply to the workers who refused to work with five anti-union men.

The workers barricaded themselves in the plant and declared they will continue the sitdown until a closed shop is conceded.

The siting plant and the adjacent Gray Iron Foundry, both employing 5,500 workers, will be closed.

SITDOWN IN PACKARD PLANT
DETROIT, Mich., June 2.—A sitdown strike in the stamping room of the Packard Motor Car Co. spread to the entire small car division and stopped production for three hours today.

The strike arose when the management refused to recognize the shop stewards as provided in the recent agreement and because of the increased speedup.

Following a conference of union officials with the management the night shift workers agreed to vacate and let the day shift workers come in to work pending further negotiations.

GO TO JAIL
Peter Kallos and his fellow peddlers went to jail for two days. They would have walked free men out of the court room if they had only had one dollar.

It's hell to be poor when you have the hard luck to be arraigned before Burke.

This magistrate will be remembered for his threat to striking salesgirls to submit them to the same treatment as given prostitutes in the detention pen unless they promised to give up picketing.

ONE DOLLAR FINE
Burke finishes the speech with a faint smile and adds that this time the fine will be one dollar.

Magistrate Burke knows that the peddlers before him hardly earn a dollar a day, but what does a dollar mean to him? He spends more money for a week's rent at the Lon-

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The United Auto Workers of America will brook no rent profiteering by Detroit's landlords as this leaflet, distributed throughout the auto city, shows.

Auto Union Maps Fight On Detroit Rent Boosts

Will Organize Tenants and Consumers League of Many Groups—Call Mass Meeting at Cass Technical H. S. on June 8

(Daily Worker Michigan Bureau)
DETROIT, June 2.—Spurred on by the intolerable rent situation here, and by the militant lead of the United Auto Workers Union of Pontiac which has called a rent strike there effective today, the Detroit District Council of the U.A.W. has set up a committee to organize a Detroit Tenants and Consumers League.

Mort Puray, of the West Side Local of the U.A.W., is chairman of the committee, which is composed of representatives of the District Council and the City-Wide Women's Auxiliary of the U.A.W.

The first blow in the battle against the high cost of living will be struck on the evening of June 8 at a mass meeting to be held in Cass Technical High School.

Speakers invited to address the meeting include U.A.W. president Homer Martin, a representative of the Detroit and Wayne County Federation of Labor, Josephine Gomon, secretary of the Detroit Housing Commission, and Mary Zuk, Hamtramck councilwoman.

MAP PARLEY
It has also been announced that a conference of all organizations will be held on June 28 to set up a permanent organization on the basis of a militant program of action.

All Detroit workers, suffering from sky-rocketing rents and an acute housing shortage, are watching developments in Pontiac, where upwards of 15,000 persons have pledged support to the rent strike.

Pontiac spokesmen of the U.A.W. assert that rents there have increased sixty-two-and-a-half per cent in the recent period, which is 50 per cent greater than wage increases during the same time.

The U.A.W. Rent Committee there has met several times with the Pontiac Real Estate Board without result.

ASK JURY TO DECIDE
The Pontiac rent committee has announced that procedure will be to go to court with each case arising out of the rent strike, leaving a jury to decide what constitutes a fair rental.

In Detroit, the housing shortage is brought about in large part by the fact that the real estate division of the First National Bank, in receivership, is one of the largest single rental agencies in the city. The policy of the First National Bank is to withhold most of its property from rental in an effort to sell its houses.

Mort Puray, chairman of the U.A.W. Tenants and Consumers Committee, charges that the First National Bank is striving to liquidate its assets in order to make an additional five per cent payment to its large depositors, which include General Motors, the Edison Company and other large corporations.

Another cause of the intolerable situation is the fact that over 1,600 homes in the slum area were razed more than a year ago in a government program of low-rent housing construction.

The project has been bogged down ever since, with recent disclosures showing that contractors and real estate sharks have conspired to kill the undertaking through collusive bidding.



HOMER MARTIN

Movie Unions Vote Against Painters Pact

Reject Settlement of Strike Excluding Seven Unions

HOLLYWOOD, Calif., June 2.—At a stormy meeting of striking members of the Federated Motion Picture Crafts, a proposed settlement that would send painters back to work and leave seven crafts to continue the movie strike was rejected by a vote of 640 to 278 today.

The chief reason for the rejection of the agreement was because officials of the painters failed to obtain written guarantees that a closed shop and wage increases will go into effect.

Joseph Clark, international vice-president of the Brotherhood of Painters who was one of the negotiators of the settlement, was booed when he appeared at the meeting. Officials of the International Brotherhood of Painters, largest of the eight federated crafts involved in the studio strike here, accepted a settlement today under which they go under the agreement of the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees.

They were granted a 10 per cent wage increase and preferential union shop conditions under the contract of the I.A.T.S.E.

In announcing the settlement, George E. Browne, international president of the I.A.T.S.E., made no mention of the remaining seven crafts involved in the strike.

The I.A.T.S.E. not involved in the strike, was accused of strikebreaking and recruiting scabs to do the work of the strikers under its contract. Charges placed by the Painters before the Executive Council of the A. F. of L. against the I.A.T.S.E. were shelved by William Green.

The basic demand of the F.M.P.C., which originally included 12 organizations, was recognition for a joint agreement.

15,000 Tenants Back Fight on Landlords

Auto Workers, Teamsters and Street Car Unions Supporting Actions Against G. M. Housing Corp. and Others

(Daily Worker Michigan Bureau)
PONTIAC, Mich., June 2.—"The strike is on," declared Charles Barker, chairman of the United Auto Workers rent committee, as the U.A.W. ultimatum for a rent reduction reached its deadline.

Fully 15,000 tenants have pledged support to the rent committee program of no rents until stable reductions have been brought about.

"It is up to the property owners now," said Barker. Several earlier conferences with the Real Estate Board brought no results, he said. "We intend to stall and delay and make it as difficult as possible for landlords to do anything until rents are reduced."

SPONSORED BY UAW
Barker said he did not think anything would happen for a week or ten days, although June 1 was rent day for the majority of tenants in Pontiac. "We believe landlords will wait before going to court. Then we will fight for every member who is taken to court."

The Pontiac rent strike, sponsored by the United Auto Workers, is supported by two A. F. of L. unions, the Street Car workers and the Teamsters Union.

The Mayor of Pontiac himself is a rental agent and a former president of the Real Estate Board. The General Motors Housing Corporation is one of the towns biggest landlords.

Union Calls Conference to Map Fight on Rent Boosts
(Daily Worker Michigan Bureau)
DETROIT, June 2.—Mort Puray, chairman of a newly formed committee sponsored by the United Auto Workers Union, to organize a Tenants and Consumers League, revealed today that 48 Detroit families in an apartment house had gone on a rent strike in protest against a new increase of \$5 per month in their rent.

Puray also announced that the following call to a conference on June 26 was issued to all organizations in Detroit on June 1: "The problem of housing is an acute one for the people living in the greater Detroit area."

"A shortage of some 5,000 homes makes it possible for unscrupulous bankers and real estate sharks to boost rents sky high. Between 1932 and 1937, rents have gone up between 25 and 150 per cent."

"The slum areas of the city, with the unsanitary conditions prevailing there, the lack of sanitary facilities, constitute a menace to the health of the entire population."

"It is time for the tenant population of our city to get together to discuss ways and means of overcoming this acute crisis, and bring about a reduction in rents."

Puray announced that if public response to the issue is great enough, a rent strike in the city of Detroit would be declared on July 1.

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Aid for Spain Is Aid for World Peace

The U. S. Congress has it within its power now to act in a decisive way for world peace in the present critical situation precipitated by the fascist aggression against Spain.

Senator Borah has made that fact clear. But what is necessary now is the translation of the American people's wish for peace into a positive expression by appealing to all Congressmen to pass the resolution introduced by Representative O'Connell of Montana.

This resolution is of tremendous international significance if the situation created is but briefly examined.

Britain and France, bourgeois democratic countries, have responded to the criminal assault on Almeria by the Nazi war-makers by trying to calm the criminals with more concessions. Certain ruling cliques in London's Downing Street are even cooperating quite directly with the fascists in anti-Madrid and anti-Soviet incitements.

This conciliation has had the effect of increasing the provocative boldness of Hitler and Mussolini.

However, all diplomatic eyes are turned on Washington for the moment to see whether public opinion here is strong enough to force through an embargo against the fascist powers. Were such action to be crowned with success, the results would be incalculable on the side of world peace.

Positive American action on the O'Connell resolution would win the applause of the French and British people. It would block the dangerous conciliatory tactic of the Tories and would be a stern warning to the fascist aggressors.

That is why the struggle for world peace, the fight to keep America out of war, demands the most energetic campaign for the passage of the resolution enforcing an immediate embargo on the fascist aggressor powers.

The fact that this current week is Spain Week should give every incentive to increase the campaign for American aid to Spain—which is assistance to world peace and the fight for the preservation of human liberty.

The Sixth Deputy Commissioner Goes to a Play

Some New York cops want to become literary critics.

Mr. Byrnes MacDonald, Sixth Deputy Commissioner in charge of the Juvenile Aid Bureau refused free tickets for the WPA show, "The Revolt of the Beavers."

That's the first time any ambitious critic has refused free tickets for distribution and, obviously, the situation needs inquiry.

Mr. Byrnes says that the show is "subversive" because it depicts beavers forming a "united front" against some other beavers who have been highjacking them out of their grub.

How terrible!

The kid audiences, reports Miss Hattie Flanagan, WPA Director, have found the play "delightful."

Which proves that the children have mature minds and Mr. Byrnes has a childish one.

Go After the Chiselers In a Big Way

Roosevelt's proposal for a probe into the private cheating of the big money-makers of the country has already been adopted in the Senate and will soon pass the House.

The whole country was disgusted and aroused by the revelation of the country's biggest capitalists working overtime to cheat the government of hundreds of millions of dollars in income taxes.

Every cheap trick, every piece of falsification, every outrageous perjury was calmly committed by the "best people."

Cheating the government—on which they always call to protect their interests—is an old pastime with these "best people."

Andrew Mellon gave himself a present of \$4,000,000 when he was Secretary of the Treasury. J. P. Morgan, one of the most

powerful financiers in the world, did not pay the government ONE SINGLE CENT of tax for three years after 1930. The duPonts and the Raskobs, and the rest, all systematically cheat the government.

It was the Daily Worker, April 22, which pointed to the need for a thorough probe in tax-cheating right after Roosevelt delivered his first budget message to Congress.

Everyone can see that the howls against relief, the howls of the Congressional bloc for chiseling millions off the WPA, all come from this bunch of tax chiselers and their agents in Congress.

Let the investigation lose no time, and let it be merciless in its probings.

But, at the same time, let the present exposure of the big chiselers also serve as the occasion for a thorough revising of the whole tax structure. Even if the present structure were to be enforced, there still would be a tremendous weight of taxation falling on the poor with comparatively slight burdens on the rich.

Make the chiselers pay what they owe now—and then let us set up a new tax system, backed by the workers, farmers, professionals and small home-owners, that will put the tax burdens where they belong—on the bondholders, coupon clippers, and big corporations.

Will the Youth Be the Next Victims?

Soon school will be over for the youth of the land, and then what?

Aubrey Williams, executive director of the National Youth Administration, declared the other day that 400,000 students, who have been receiving aid while the schools were in session, will be cut off during the summer months.

Williams pointed to the reductions in the federal work relief program and called upon employers to give jobs to young people.

But the cessation of aid during the summer months may not be the worst of it. An ominous silence surrounds the whole future fate of the National Youth Administration. The N.Y.A. expires June 30, yet no word has as yet come from Washington about the appropriation of funds for the next fiscal year.

Is the N.Y.A. also to go by the board in the Big Business-inspired "economy" drive? Undoubtedly this is the aim of the right-wing Democrats and their Republican allies, but is the Roosevelt administration going to yield to their demands?

Certainly the youth can no more depend on getting non-existent jobs from good-hearted employers than can the unemployed adults.

During the present fiscal year the N.Y.A. is spending \$72,000,000 on its program. This is little enough, but discontinuance or curtailment of the program will mean tragedy for tens of thousands of young people.

The N.Y.A. must be continued and extended. And the situation calls for the strengthening of the campaign for the passage of the American Youth Act, the only measure that adequately provides for the needs of the jobless youth.

The stepping up of this campaign is one of the jobs that faces the American Youth Congress, which meets in Milwaukee July 2-5.

Meanwhile the members of Congress should be told in no uncertain terms that the country won't tolerate "economy" at the expense of its most precious possession: its youth.

Victor Ridder's 'Socialist' Echo

SOCIALISTS ASSAIL "RED" RELIEF EFFORT.

More than one person must have rubbed his eyes at that headline in Tuesday's New York Times.

Had the first word been Ridder or Harvey, it would have been quite normal. But Socialists!

It was no typographical error, however. The Socialists referred to are the leaders of the Old Guard Socialist group.

Their national executive committee on Monday launched a Red-baiting attack on the Workers Alliance which was in the best vein of Victor Ridder or Borough President Harvey.

A gentleman named Robert Lieberman, chairman of an outfit called the unemployment Citizens League of Allegheny County, appeared before the Old Guard satchmen and denounced Workers Alliance activities as "pernicious."

The reason, as Ridder and Harvey will confirm, is simple: Communists.

Mr. Lieberman called for the formation of a new nationwide organization to oppose the Workers Alliance.

"There is grave danger of the Workers Alliance wrecking the whole relief set-up," said Mr. Lieberman-Ridder.

Thus, once again the Old Guard chieftains show their reactionary hand. Not content with knifing the CIO, they now

World Front

By HARRY GANNES

The opposition of the people of Erin to the De Valera draft constitution is powerfully voiced in the declaration of the Irish Republican Congress on the Constitution. We print this declaration below:

The Draft Constitution has not caused a single bonfire to be lighted on an Irish hill, nor brought out even one rifle and drum band. And yet its authors can be assured of this: that if this Constitution had been a call to the people to re-declare the Republic and set up a National Assembly to organize and govern it then Ireland would have gone gay. No nation can emerge from servitude into the dignity of a sovereign state without the people coming out of doors to cheer.

The argument, however, is not that the Constitution proclaims the Republic but that it ends the treaty. Men did not die to end the treaty but to defend the Republic, and not merely to defend the Republic but to undo the Conquest. And anyway the Treaty has been dead since the Spring of 1932. Republican Ireland has been waiting the signal to rally once more to the 1916 Proclamation, and to take its stand on the high ground which the Ard-Phels of 1922 refused to desert even under the threat of war.

The poor of Ireland will receive this Constitution with increasing opposition. Within the hearts and minds of the common people of this country the breaking of the connection included the supplanting of the traitor minority who shut them out from land, drove them into exile and impoverished them at home. The 1916 Proclamation was always read to promise just such a triumph of the poor over the small group of rich men who trafficked in their misery. This Draft Constitution would, if adopted, sound the death-knell of their dreams. For private property is raised here almost to the dignity of a sacrament. It is the price paid for winning the support of the interests behind such journals as the "Irish Catholic." Landless men, jobless, underpaid, insecure, harassed breadwinners are guaranteed only their poverty. Tenement dwellers are guaranteed only the smelly overcrowding and the rack renting. The articles on private property are the hostages to which the Irish people are to be shackled so that the people's enemies may feel secure.

It is in keeping with this betrayal that the whole tradition of the Fenian struggle should be outraged also in the articles on religion. Under the guise of venerating the religion to which the majority of Irish people belong, the government surrenders to the political ambitions of the Roman Catholic Bishops. Irish history proves that it is the Irish people and not the Irish hierarchy, Protestant or Catholic, who hold steadfast to religion. Irish history establishes that the Irish hierarchy have been the bitterest enemies of the Separatist movement. And it is precisely because they are on the side of the rich minority, whose interests this Constitution would serve, that the Irish Bishops seek to entrench themselves politically.

Republican Ireland, however, does not rest its opposition on the passing accident of worthy or unworthy Bishops. They take their stand on the principle of equality before the state of all citizens, irrespective of religious belief. They are opposed to a State or a semi-State Church and will offer any such proposal unending opposition. They recognize, too, that Partition will not be overcome unless the terms Catholics and Protestant are merged in the common name of Irishman and would point out to all democrats that to set up the Roman Catholic hierarchy in any position of political privilege except what devotion to the independence of the country and to the general democratic struggle may earn them, is to perpetuate Partition. And the same goes for the Protestant Bishops in the Northeast.

The guarantee to women of equal rights and equal opportunities, stated so clearly in the 1916 Proclamation, is not relayed in this Draft Constitution. Republicans demand that it be openly declared in any Constitution for the Irish Republic that equal pay and opportunities for women in industry shall be assured.

Is it any wonder then that there is no national rejoicing over this new Constitution. It does not restore the Republic, but on the contrary it attacks the People's Charter, the 1916 Proclamation.

In these circumstances who can view without uneasiness the approach of a plebiscite before the people have been permitted to take counsel with themselves on its provisions. A discussion in the Free State Parliament is not adequate. Only a nation-wide conference of all Republican and democratic opinion is adequate. The Republican Congress appeals, therefore, to all Separatists and Labor bodies to take a hand in the re-assembling of the Ard-Phels of 1921.

The Republican Congress urges on the Fianna Fail Government that they put no barriers in the way of such an Ard-Phels, but that, on the contrary, they encourage the units of their organization to take part in the work of organizing it. We accuse the Fianna Fail Government of this: that in a day of trial for the nation they, on whom the task of leadership had fallen, ask less for the people than the people are eager and able to achieve.

Who will say that if the Irish people were faced with just one question today and asked whether they were ready to re-declare the Republic forthwith that the answer would not be an avalanche for the Republic? Will the Fianna Fail Government then drive the people on to a meager formula? If the leaders of the Fianna Fail movement make any such effort Republican and Labor bodies must see that they have the duty of joining forces to assemble an Ard-Phels from the 32 counties of Ireland to call a halt to such treason. It is bad enough that the sacrifices of those who gave their all in the independence struggle should be unavailing just because our enemy is strong, but is it not unthinkable that we should mock their sacrifices when it is within our power to realize their dreams without even risk to ourselves?

Republicans, Workers, Democrats, call a halt to this Draft Constitution: Allow the Nation to voice its demands: Organize an All-Ireland Ard-Phels!

PEADAR O'DONNELL, Chairman.
FRANK RYAN, Hon. Secretary.

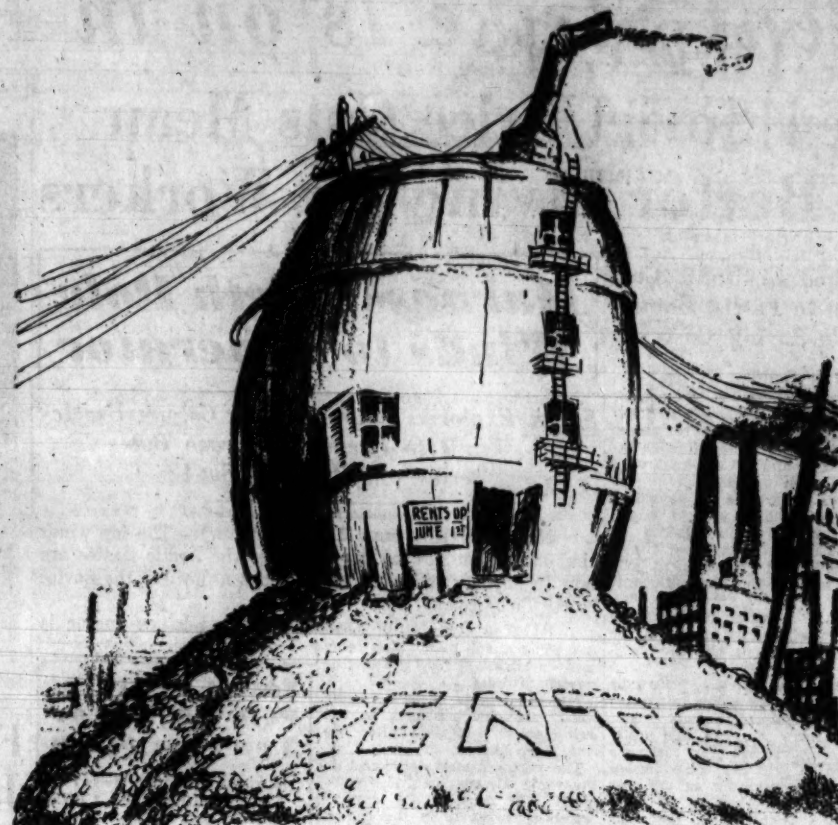
seek to destroy the only national organization of the unemployed, which was formed as the result of the unification of practically all other unemployed groups.

This despite the fact that the Workers Alliance program has been endorsed by both President Green of the A. F. of L. and John L. Lewis, chairman of the CIO.

At their national convention over the week-end the Old Guardists talked much about their love of democracy and hatred of dictatorship.

Is this a sample?

SLUMS-A BOOMING INDUSTRY by Ellis



Poisonous Trotskyism Is Spread Into Socialist Party's Decisions

By A. B. Magill

ARTICLE No. 1

The special convention of the Socialist Party at the end of March placed a large question mark beside the party's future.

That question mark has, if anything, grown larger as a result of the recent meeting of the National Executive Committee elected at the convention.

For the N.E.C. meeting strengthened the grip of the Trotskyites and their allies on the machinery of the Socialist Party. This despite the fact that they are supported by only a minority of the membership.

The two chief party organs, for example, the weekly Socialist Call and the American Socialist Monthly, were placed under the editorship of Gus Tyler and Herbert Zam respectively. These individuals are not merely friendly to the Trotskyites, but are little better than disguised Trotskyites themselves.

PORTER REJECTED

In an article in the now defunct Socialist Appeal in March Tyler disclosed his complete agreement with the political platform of Trotskyism. He merely criticized the Trotskyites for what he called their past sectarianism. It is this defender of assassins and agents of fascism that has now been chosen as the guiding spirit of the official weekly organ of the Socialist Party.

The N.E.C. meeting re-elected Frank Tracer, another close associate of the Trotskyites, as labor secretary of the party, while Brendan Sexton, who is fighting the progressive policies of the Socialist Party, was named assistant labor secretary.

On the other hand, Paul Porter of Wisconsin, a leading advocate of the People's Front and opponent of Trotskyism, was rejected by the N.E.C. for a place on the National Action Committee. The March convention had temporarily elected Porter to this committee.

It was inevitable that the strong Trotskyist influence apparent in these inner organizational matters should also affect the political decisions of the N.E.C.

These decisions, as reported in the Socialist Call, concern three chief questions: the fight against reaction in the United States, Spain, and Trotskyism.

ON THE MOSCOW TRIALS

The most complete victory of the Trotskyists was on the third question. The N.E.C. has before it a resolution from Local New York of the Socialist Party, the largest local in the country, calling on the N.E.C. to withdraw its endorsement and discontinue participation in the

American Committee for the Defense of Leon Trotsky.

The N. E. C. split over this resolution, but since the Trotskyites and their stooges are in a majority they succeeded in defeating it. But, not content with that, they put through a statement placing the Socialist Party on record as going the whole Trotskyite hog on the Moscow trials.

The trials are condemned as frame-ups, and the charges against Trotsky are declared to "have fallen to the ground whenever the evidence was based upon events beyond the borders of the U. S. S. R. which could be checked by impartial investigators" (which charges have fallen to the ground and what impartial investigators have done the checking, gentlemen of the N. E. C.).

The statement declares that the trial and conviction of criminals, fascist agents and splitters of the labor movement has done "tragic harm to the unity and solidarity of the international working class and labor movement."

And after this complete, unqualified endorsement of Trotsky and his defenders, the statement throws in this hypocritical tongue-in-cheek sentence:

"The Socialist Party does not, of course, commit itself to the precise findings of the Commission of Inquiry which the American Committee (for the Defense of Leon Trotsky) helped initiate."

NOT VOICE OF MEMBERS

Is this the position of the Socialist Party in regard to the trials which every reliable non-Communist observer has pronounced absolutely authentic? Is this the attitude of the Socialist Party toward Trotskyism, which is today conspiring with fascism against Spanish democracy just as it conspired with fascism against the Soviet Union?

We know that the N. E. C. on this question doesn't speak for the largest local of the Socialist Party. We know that it doesn't even speak for all of its members. We feel certain that it doesn't speak for the majority of the members of the Socialist Party, who are assuredly not Trotskyites and not enemies of the Soviet Union.

In tomorrow's article we will discuss the decisions of the National Executive Committee in regard to Spain and the fight against reaction in the United States.

DECLINE IN VOTE

Turning to the question of the fight against reaction in the United States, we find that the National Executive Committee of the Socialist Party has evidently learned nothing from the last election campaign and the events since the election. Certainly the preponderance of

Trotskyites and disguised Trotskyites on the N. E. C. is not calculated to put it straight.

The Socialist Party during the election campaign denied that there was any important distinction between the Hearst-Library League-Landon forces and Roosevelt. Though denying this in theory, in practice it singled out Roosevelt as the main enemy and concentrated all its fire against him. The inevitable result of this wrongheaded policy was that the Socialist campaign repeatedly became the dupe of Republican reaction.

And another result was the isolation of the Socialist Party from the progressive forces of the country and the disastrous decline in its vote.

Did the overwhelming defeat of Republican reaction on Nov. 3 mean nothing to the American people as the Socialist Call has implied?

The steel workers don't think so. The auto workers don't think so. They and hundreds of thousands of American workers, under the leadership of the C. I. O., are now taking in on that victory.

SINCE THE ELECTION

And what has been happening since the election?

Roosevelt, true to the role which the Communists so accurately described, has been attempting to steer a middle course between progress and reaction, yielding to pressure from both sides.

But is there really no difference between Roosevelt and the right-wing Democrats who are leading the fight against Supreme Court reform? Is there no difference between him and the Tories in his own party who tried to cut the work relief program down to \$1,000,000,000?

Judging from the decisions of the Socialist N. E. C., not merely is there no difference, but Roosevelt is still the main enemy. Describing these decisions, the Socialist Call of May 15 states:

"The broadest united fronts will be sought to insure the success of the fight against New Deal reaction."

We can assure our Socialist comrades that with such an approach, the only united front they will get is the kind they unwittingly achieved on a number of occasions during the election campaign: with the right-wing Democrats and Republicans who are the chief agents of Wall Street reaction.

In the concluding article tomorrow we will discuss the decisions of the National Executive Committee in regard to Spain.

Letters from Our Readers

Make "Spanish Week" a Rallying Ground for Aid to Spain—

Cleveland, Ohio.

Editor, Daily Worker:

The treachery of American participation in the World War was carried out under the slogan of "Make the World Safe For Democracy." These words now have fearful connotations to all peace-loving Americans. Yet this ill-famed slogan has deep-going implications which are of great significance in regard to present-day neutrality legislation and Spain.

The shameful betrayal of the American people and the dreadful denouement which followed have left an unsavory taste in regard to all speech-making about intervention in defense of democracy. Perhaps this is why it is so difficult to rouse the American people into active participation in defense of Spain. But just because the imperialists have betrayed American tradition is no reason why the struggle to uphold and interpret anew our people's heritage should not be pushed forward with the utmost energy.

I believe that by explaining to the American masses the full meaning and implications of the slogan under which they went last to war, the process of rallying them in defense of Spanish democracy will be hastened. And I would suggest that during Spanish week

we take up this matter before the American people. I think it will help in bringing victory nearer.

B. MOORE

Prof. T. N. Carver—'Lame' Apologist for the Rich—

Chicago, Ill.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Professor T. N. Carver, in a speech before the Chicago Stock Exchange, declared he knew a "significant fact that no radical ever got into his head." It was: "The rich man in a non-capitalist country owns consumers' goods which are not worth a cent unless they work for somebody. Take the great Ford factory as an example. . . . When we get that distinction through our heads, the old antipathy to great riches will disappear."

The reasons "radicals" can't get this through their heads is that it is irrelevant. In the non-capitalist country the "rich man" is the ordinary citizen. It is not that the rich get so rich in capitalist countries that make "radicals" protest, but that the poor get so poor while the rich are getting richer.

Apologists for the rich are getting lamer every day.

C. P.

CARDENAS, THE RULER

By MIKE GOLD

MEXICO CITY.—Mexico is just coming out of the feudal-agrarian stage of history. There is, therefore, something very simple and patriarchal about its politics at times. One of the most attractive things about President Cardenas, for example, is the way he maintains a personal contact with the poorest of the poor Mexican peasants.

We have had so-called "democratic" presidents in the United States, hand-shakers, baby-kissers, vote-seducing demagogues, many of them. President Cardenas goes among his people continually, but nobody down here breathes even the faintest reproach that he does it for purposes of demagoguery.

Here is how he does it: he has a special railroad train in the yards. Almost every week or so, the President leaves the capital for a trip, north, south, east or west. The train passes through some little village and suddenly the President signals the engineer to stop there.

Flanked by a few secretaries and aides, the President then marches to the plaza of the village and finds the mayor. He tells the mayor to gather all the peasants together, and then he conducts an open forum.

The peasants are encouraged to tell him all their grievances. His secretary notes them down. It is a mass heart-to-heart talk, and often becomes very dramatic. When some glaring case of injustice reaches his ears, the President becomes very angry in public. He gives orders to his secretaries and aides, and argues with them aloud, so the peasants may hear and learn.

Anecdotes of Cardenas

Anecdotes are told of these trips; they are becoming a legend. Once, for instance, Cardenas came to a village, where he discovered that the peasants were continually on the verge of famine, because of lack of water for their fields. On the spot the President commanded his secretary to have orders issued for the building of five irrigation ditches in the locality.

One of his aides remonstrated. The budget called for only two government ditches in this place. Cardenas answered, "No, no, it is plain they cannot do with less than five." An argument followed, while the peasants listened. Finally, the President had his way.

Is it any wonder the Mexican peasants are beginning to feel toward Cardenas as though he were their father and special protector among the strange and alien rulers at the far-off capital?

Here is another story: at a little rural station President Cardenas met a peasant woman crying bitterly. He approached and asked her what was wrong. She said her husband was a drunkard who neglected his family and would never work. The President said, "Call your husband here." The woman scoured the nearby cantinas and fetched her husband to the President.

"What's wrong with you man?" the President said sternly to the ragged, barefooted, dazed-looking wretch. "Is this the way for a Mexican to live?"

"My chief," the peasant answered, "I know I am sinning. But I drink to forget my sorrows."

"What are your sorrows?" asked the President.

"I have no land," the peasant answered. "For years I have been trying to get a piece of land to work for my family. But there must be a curse on me—every year my hope is further and further away. What's there to do and drink and forget?"

So the President commanded that the man be given a piece of land, a plough, some oxen and other assistance.

Two months later, the President was again passing through this village in his train and remembered the peasant. He had the train stopped, and walked through the fields until he found the man. The former drunkard was at work, his children around him. The wife was happy now, and blessed the President for his good deed.

It sounds like the mighty visits of the good Caliph of Bagdad, Harun al Raschid, among his people. It is all so romantic and personal and patriarchal. But it serves a mighty purpose; it keeps this leader of some 10 million peasants in daily intimate touch with the folk. They aren't abstract units in the statistical book of national economy. They are fellow human-beings, whose poverty is the shame of the nation.

Rulers are generally out of touch with the people. Eventually they are swamped in a sea of administrative red tape. They get to see nothing but the world of bureaucracy and officialdom. But Cardenas has cut through this all, and is sternly welded to these frequent trips of his. No bureaucrat in the capital can fool him as to what the peasants think, feel and suffer.

BOOKS of the DAY

By EDWIN SEAVER

MY READERS may be interested by a fellow reader concerning "Gone With the Wind," the Pulitzer prize millionaire among current novels:

The writer has just finished reading "Gone With the Wind," by Margaret Mitchell, (it was loaned to me), and although I realize that any comment on this book is woefully out of date, nevertheless, as I have never seen it reviewed from a factual standpoint, I think you might be interested in a few samples of the distortion and falsification of Civil War history as it is presented in "Gone With the Wind."

With the preface that I find no fault with the fictional characters of the book, I now list a few of the technical errors:

(1) Page 286—"Gone With the Wind"—"The North resorted to harsher treatment of Confederate prisoners and at no place were conditions worse than at Rock Island, Ill. Three-fourths of all the men sent there never came out alive."

Fact: The U. S. Government has published a complete record of the Civil War in 130 volumes known as "War of the Rebellion." Official Records of the Union and Confederate Armies. In Series 2, Volume 8 of this work, on pages 903 et seq. there appears the complete record of prisoners received, and deaths, at Rock Island Prison, by months from December, 1863, when it was opened, to the end. I have totaled these and find that there were exactly 11,734 prisoners received at Rock Island, and exactly 1,860 deaths. Instead of the three-fourths so terrifyingly mentioned by Miss Mitchell, we find the percentage is 15-16%.

(2) Page 286—"Gone With the Wind"—"When Lincoln refused to exchange prisoners, believing it would hasten the end of the war to surrender the Confederacy with feeding and guarding Union prisoners, etc."—Miss Mitchell.

Fact: The chief obstacle to the exchange of prisoners is the inadmissible claim of the United States that recaptured slaves be treated prisoners of war. Who says this? None other than Col. Robert Ould, Confederate Agent of Exchange, in his report to the Confederate War Dept., and you can find his statement on Page 105 of Series 2, Vol. 7 of the Official War Records, published by the U. S. Govt. Evidently the Confederates preferred their property to their sons, but this did not stop Miss Mitchell from calling

the Yankees "money-grubbing" all through her book.

(3) Page 286—"GONE WITH THE WIND"—"The Confederates at Andersonville fed their prisoners on . . . fat pork and dried peas, and on this diet the Yankees died like flies."

Fact: Dr. Jos. Jones, Surgeon of the Confederate Army, was ordered by the rebel War Dept. to make a full investigation and report of conditions at Andersonville. You can find his report in full on page 588, et seq. Series 2, Vol. 8, Official Records of War of the Rebellion.

He says, "The chief cause of death was scurvy and its results. . . . The long use of salt meat, as well as the almost total deprivation of vegetables . . . appeared to be the chief causes of the scurvy." May I respectfully ask Miss Mitchell where was the fat pork and dried peas?

In fact, Miss Mitchell got so used to lying that she even lied when there wasn't any advantage in so doing. For instance, on Page 270 she says "(In Jan. and Feb. 1864) Sheridan was a name to bring dread to Southern hearts." At this time, Sheridan was the comparatively humble commander of the 2nd Div. 6th Army Corps, and no more of a terror to the South than a hundred other division commanders. (See Sheridan's Memoirs, Vol. 1, Page 240).

GEORGE F. BROWN, Upper Darby, Penna.

IN AN APPEAL for funds for medical aid to Spain George Selzer writes:

"In Spain I saw thousands of men of the International Brigade. I visited the American boys in the trenches south of Madrid. I spent days with the Italians of the Garibaldi Battalions which smashed the Fascist army north of Guadalajara."

"You cannot imagine how desperately the Republic needs medical help. I was asked to try to get a doctor some hypodermic needles in Madrid. I have 8,000 anti-typhoid injections to make and only 36 needles," he said. Hemingway sent Sid Franklin to every drugstore in town and he collected 200 needles. But where will the next supply come from?"

The personnel and medical equipment for the three American Base Hospitals in Spain is supplied by the Medical Bureau to Aid Spanish Democracy, 381 Fourth Avenue, New York City.

How to Apply Stalin's Theses to Our Problems

Jack Stachel's Analysis of "Mastering Bolshevism" a Feature of Current "Communist" Monthly—Dimitroff Develops Offensive Against Fascism

By Joe Fields

In applying the lessons of Stalin's speech on "Mastering Bolshevism" to the problems of the Communist Party of the United States, Jack Stachel succeeds in concretizing for us the immediate tasks confronting our Party in the current "Communist." Each point in Stalin's report is linked to the activities of the Party in the shops, trade unions, neighborhoods and mass organizations. In the light of Stalin's analysis, shortcomings of Party work arising from political complacency Stachel provides a splendid and enlightening discussion of our own shortcomings and how to overcome them.

In "Communists and the United Front," Georgi Dimitroff develops the theme of the offensive against fascism through the "united and unbroken struggle of the masses." "Only united action of the international proletariat, rallying around itself all sections of the working people, all progressive and democratic elements, all genuine supporters of peace, can succeed in curbing the . . . fascists. . . ."

The four elementary conditions necessary to bring about this united action are: (1) To concentrate the struggle against the main enemy, fascism; (2) To defeat the enemies of the United Front in the ranks of the labor movement; (3) To expose the enemies of the Soviet Union ("One cannot be an enemy of fascism and at the same time carry on a struggle against the U.S.S.R.—the advance post of the international anti-fascist movement."); (4) Meticulously to uproot from the labor movement the Trotskyists, the agents of fascism within the ranks of the working class.

As the surest guarantee that these tasks will be accomplished, C. M. Dimitroff calls for the building and strengthening of the Communist Parties.

The Textile Drive

Evelyn B. Gordon, a textile worker, writes on the tremendous impetus to organization given to "The Textile Drive" by the C.I.O. Her article is well-documented and shows remarkable knowledge and familiarity with this giant industry, and the conditions under which the million and more workers—over half of which are women—are exploited in its plants and mills.

The textile workers are receiving the first organizing efforts of the T.W.O.C. as the parched ground receives the rain, with unbounded eagerness and enthusiasm.

The Wagner Act states: Employees have as clear a right to organize and select their representatives as the company has to organize its business and select its own officers and agents. . . . A union is essential to give laborers an opportunity to deal on an equality with their employer.

"Textile workers know," writes Gordon, "that this law was written with their very blood."

Alex Bittelman, brilliant Marxist writer and an outstanding political leader of the Communist Party, has contributed a review of Foster's new book, "From Bryan to Stalin," which, because of the importance attached to both book and review, is given place as a separate and leading article in this excellent issue.

"It is a piece of historic writing that is invaluable. . . . And for the much needed history of the Communist Party of the United States, Foster's book lays a broad and solid foundation."

Foster's work is divided along three main lines: (1) trade unionism and independent working class political action; (2) the relation of the working class to the middle class, and (3) the role of the Communist Party. And while these problems are common to a large extent, to the labor movement of all countries, the author points out that "Comrade Foster shows historically the peculiarities and specific features of these problems in the United States."

Rebellion Against Roosevelt

In his "Review of the Month," which has become an indispensable feature of "The Communist," Bittelman deals at length with an ever deeper significance of the rebellion on the political life of our country in the near future. This is the rebellion of the most reactionary section of the Democratic Party against Roosevelt, and the alliance which they are forming with the Hearst-Liberty League.

Other important articles in this sterling issue, which space does not permit to be reviewed at length, are "Flood Control," by James Harmon, an exhaustive and timely study of this national problem, "We Must Win the Women," Margaret Cowd, and "The People's Mandate in Minnesota," by Nat Ross.

INVITES WRITERS

The Experimental Unit of the WPA Federal Theatre Project has invited all delegates of the American Writers' Congress to attend the performance of "Hymn to the Rising Sun" and "Unto Such Glory" by Paul Green at the Adelphi Theatre tonight. The performance will be free to delegates.

Einstein to Greet Writers

Earl Browder Speech Features Meeting of 500 Authors

A message from Albert Einstein, world famous German scientist now in exile in the United States, will be read at the open session of the American Writers' Congress at Carnegie Hall tomorrow evening.

Ernest Hemingway, leading American novelist who contributed two ambulatory to Loyalist Spain and who has just returned from the battlefield, will address the meeting.

The audience, including 500 writers from all sections of the country, will view selections from "The Spanish Earth," first creative motion picture of the battle of the Spanish people to defend their government.

The picture was filmed by Joris Ivens, internationally known Dutch photographer, and its continuity was written by Hemingway, Archibald MacLeish, who is an editor of "Fortune," and John Doe Fawcett, the novelist who returned from Spain last Wednesday. MacLeish will be chairman of the meeting.

Nye To Speak

Senator Gerald P. Nye, investigator of the munitions makers in America and one of the country's leading crusaders against war, will speak on "The Writer and War."

Earl Browder, General Secretary of the Communist Party, will discuss the problems of the intellectual and the People's Front against fascism.

Today, the East Side has lost much of its European atmosphere. Here and there certain changes have been made in the worst of the old slums, especially on Allen Street, wiped out. Yet the poverty and suffering of the East Side remains. Only on the surface is that famed corner of Greater New York different from what it was.

Now do you know where Goerck Street is? Probably not. It lies in one of the byways of the slums, a forgotten street with an ancient Dutch name, now strictly a tenement section, blighted by poverty.

Youth's One Outlet

There youth has but one outlet, so-called "social clubs" and pool rooms. Youth's choice—the streets or the club. From Goerck Street comes A. Friedman, with the story of how he and girls of Goerck Street, ages from 21 to 25, have found in a tragedy of their neighborhood a new source of united strength.

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Lee Tracy and Diana Gibson are dashing newshawks, out to scoop the world in "Behind the Headlines," at the Rialto this week.

Death in the Slums Is Retold By East Side Youth in Drama

From Social Clubs and Pool Rooms Come Plumbers and Shipping Clerks to Create a Living, Angry Play

The East Side is not what it used to be. When the immigration quotas were established in 1921, the old East Side, where so many millions of refugees came to America from the oppressed countries of Europe, seemed to change.

Look back twenty years and recall that on every street and avenue, from the river to the Bowery, was the color of Europe, the poverty and deep suffering of Europe written on every face.

Today, the East Side has lost much of its European atmosphere. Here and there certain changes have been made in the worst of the old slums, especially on Allen Street, wiped out. Yet the poverty and suffering of the East Side remains. Only on the surface is that famed corner of Greater New York different from what it was.

Now do you know where Goerck Street is? Probably not. It lies in one of the byways of the slums, a forgotten street with an ancient Dutch name, now strictly a tenement section, blighted by poverty.

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'Paris Commune' Lives Again on Cameo Screen

Epochal Triumph of Paris Workers and Their Supreme Sacrifice Is Moving Depicted in Mosfilm Production—Fine Performances and Stirring Battle Scenes

By Charles E. Dexter

To this reviewer—and I suppose to many others—the story of the Paris Commune is one of the most affecting in history. This is undoubtedly because of the fact that the truth about the tragic interval when the workers held Paris has been suppressed almost completely by the capitalist educational system and press.

The writings of Marx and Lenin have done much to restore the balance between truth and fiction—a vicious fiction, which paints the Communards as monsters and the entire affair an insignificant episode in history. Instead, as we know, the lessons of the Commune advanced the theory of proletarian revolution to the stage where the concept of a strong, disciplined party, became the

important factor. This party, of course, is the Communist Party, and its seizure of state power—concretely, the establishment of Soviets—successfully effected the epochal Russian Revolution.

Now Mosfilm has produced "Paris Commune," a picturization of the tragic days of that spring of 1871 when the workers of France swept aside the Tiers and the corrupt regime he represented and, in many cities, established the new order. Both Marx and Lenin have analyzed the weaknesses which led to the fall of the Commune: the failure to arm the workers until too late, the failure to remove officers from control of important battalions of the defense forces, the failure to organize the workers for the production of munitions, the lack of a strong, unified and disciplined central authority. Only from history itself, in other words, only from the experiences of the Commune itself, could these lessons be drawn. Thus we cannot blame the Communards for failing to foresee, in light of their own experiences, what their fate would be. And this fate—extermination, death to thousands, expulsion to penal islands of tens of thousands—came at the hands of the capitalists whose French representative, Thiers, worked hand in glove with the traditional national enemy, Bismarck the German, to crush his own people.

A Hollywood Lead

Now, this is no simple tale to put on the screen and if you lack the correct historical perspective, you may be confused somewhat by the very panoramic quality of the screening. But Mosfilm has stolen a leaf from Hollywood—a central love story, the love of brave and wise Catholic Millard for the shoe-cobbler, Eugene Goriot, whose father was killed in the fall of the Lyons Commune. The action moves with

Catherine and Eugene, from that historical Sunday when the people of Paris dined in the streets, attended carnivals, swarmed into the cafes, toward the unforgettable last moment when the handful of survivors clambered over the barricades and advanced in the face of their mercenary enemies—to certain death.

Key to the story is the advance position at the 17th Redoubt, where trenchery opened the gates to the enemy. At the first time, here Catherine fights side by side with the man she loves. The inner story of Yaroslav Dombrowski, general of the Commune, how he was rendered impotent by the weakness of the Commune, the offer of a two million franc bribe by Thiers, and his rejection, centralizes the military and political details and clarifies them to the audience.

"Paris Commune" has several fine performances to its credit and many majestic scenes of battle. Stalper, commander of the "International Battalion," is powerful as the great proletarian soldier, in the performance of V. Stanitsin. N. Plotnikov's Dombrowski is convincing and sturdy. D. Dorlik, as Eugene Goriot, is both good to look upon from the camera angle and a sincere worker—the worker who would be an artist and finds the completion of his art in death on the barricades.

I read, a few years ago, the yellowed pages of the French first edition of the story of the Commune, written by the daughter of Karl Marx. Day by day she traced the disintegration of the workers' state, pointing out the confusion, the cross purposes, the indecision, the treachery that led to the victory of reaction.

Here on the screen is the same story—only so detailed, occasionally a trifle oversimplified, but leading inevitably to the extinction of those who lived and fought for ideals. And leading, too, to the thought that they died for us, who know now the value of a Communist Party and Soviets.

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FRIDAY, JUNE 4th, 8:30 P. M.
CARNEGIE HALL 57th St. and 7th Ave., N. Y. C.

MEET UP WITH SOME REAL PEOPLE

By Lester Rodney

This is about the Nature Friends, a German-American athletic and cultural group whom you may have seen march in the May Day Parade.

If you think it's going to be a rave about their purpose, their indomitable spirit, their splendid activities and gorgeous camps—you're absolutely right.

I hadn't known much about the group, but a glimpse of them on May Day swinging by proudly with knapsacks and shorts—clean cut men, women and children walking briskly, and looking around and upward alertly, gave me one of the biggest thrills of that very thrilling day, and I decided to find out about them.

They have camps in all parts of the country, and if you haven't met the real German people yet, run out to one of them. The nearest is at Wingdale, New Jersey, and there's another in the Catskills. The prices are scaled for workers—and so is the spirit.

Banned by Hitler

A review of their history is the tipoff on the Nature Friend's caliber. Briefly, they were a thriving group of tremendous strength in Germany before the blight of Hitlerism came over the land. Together with everything else wholesome and progressive they were arbitrarily disbanded by the mustache murderer and his group of brown-shirted apes.

Many a member of the Nature Friends has died in a Nazi concentration camp with blue eyes defiant to the last. When you go to one of their camps you'll note the preponderance of blue eyes and light hair amongst the German-American members. But don't call them "Aryans!"

Here in America exiled Germans have formed the basis of the new Nature Friends. They're doing a swell job. If you know anyone who carelessly confuses the words "Nazi" and "German," take him to one of the Nature Friends camps and clear him up.

If you like sports there are unexcelled facilities for swimming, hiking, tennis and riding. If you like to mingle with and talk to clean cut, wholesome, friendly and civilized people, there they are.

For Civilization

If you want to know how they feel about world affairs—here are a few of the resolutions passed at their latest convention.

1. A resolution of sympathy and all possible aid to Loyalist Spain.
 2. A protest to the German and Italian ambassadors in the United States against the murderous invasion of Spain.
 3. A resolution of mourning for the Germans (including members of the Nature Friends) who have fallen fighting for democracy in the International Brigade.
- I don't think I have to say much more about the Nature Friends.

Tomorrow Night!

After the American Writers Congress—come around to the WEST SIDE ANTI-FASCIST COMMITTEE

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NEW YORK, THURSDAY, JUNE 3, 1937

Dizzy Dean Suspended by Prexy Frick

Exact Reason for Action Not Divulged by League

Dizzy Dean, star pitcher of the St. Louis Cardinals, was indefinitely suspended yesterday on order of Ford Frick, National League president.

Frick gave no reason for suspension. The formal statement to the press read:

"For conduct detrimental to the best interests of baseball player J. H. Dean today was suspended indefinitely."

Notice of the action was served on Dean by umpire Ernest Quigley during the pre-game practice at Ebbets field where the Cards today met the Brooklyn Dodgers.

ST. LOUIS, June 2 (UP).—President Sam Breadon of the Cardinals when informed that Pitcher Dizzy Dean had been suspended today said he "doubted it."

"I think an error has been made in the official announcement from Frick's office," Breadon said.

Later Frick said that Dean must make a written apology to the National League for his conduct before Frick would consider lifting his suspension.

Frick, asked by the United Press to comment on the suspension, said: "I think my statement speaks for itself. I don't know what else I could say. You know as well as I know about all this popping-off that Dean has been doing."

"I think that this is distinctly detrimental to baseball's best interests. There is not any one particular incident which caused this suspension. Nor was it caused by any particular pique on my part."

"However, I think that Dean is unquestionably unfair when he questions the honesty of the National League office. I think both of these things are definitely harmful to the game."

Frick was reminded that Dean recently was quoted as having said: "The hell with Frick. Who's Frick?"

Frick laughed.

Frick was asked if he reported attempted "bean-balling" on the part of Dean which led to the riot in the game at St. Louis with the New York Giants, May 19, preceding the dangerous injury to Mickey Cochrane, had in any way influenced his decision.

Frick thought for a moment and then replied sharply: "No!"

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Tough for Yankees



IN 1930 ONE OF THE MOST PROMISING CARERS WAS RUINED WHEN HE WAS BEATEN IN AN EXHIBITION GAME—AND EARLY GAMES AND RIVAL RINGS, OUTFIELDERS BOTH SUFFERED FRACTURED SKULLS CHASING PLY BALLS.

COCHRANE'S CAREER IS IN JEOPARDY.

HIS SKULL WAS CRACKED BY A BALL THROWN BY 'BUMP' HADLEY, ALSO OF THE YANKEES.

LOST HORIZONS JUNCTION, N. Y., June 2 (UP).—I came today to this town which doesn't exist to talk to the imaginary man who won't fight Max Schmeling for the world's heavyweight title in Madison Square Garden bowl tomorrow night.

I had trouble finding him. The Chamber of Commerce of Lost Horizons Junction, which is conducted by two mediums, said his name was not on their ouija board, but I might try the A. Conan Doyle spiritualistic kennels where the bound of the Barkvilles could be rented for two confederate dollars an hour.

The hound of the Barkvilles was hot on the scent at first but lost the trail in the river strait. He nearly lost all his fur and phosphorescent teeth, too, in a fight with the biggest dog I ever saw. Fortunately there were a couple of ferryboat hands lurking on the bank and one of them, a chap named Charon, said he knew the way.

"I've been sparring with him all week," Charon said. "He lives right across the Elysian fields there. Leave him alone, Cerebus!"

What's On

BATES: 12 words, 50c. Monday to Saturday, 11 Sunday, 1c per additional word. DEADLINE: Wednesdays, 12 Noon. Sunday, Friday, 9 P.M. Payments must be made in advance or notice will not appear.

Tonight

MEXICAN Tourists want free information and advice from experienced travel agent. Hear Miss Fiof, on Thursday at 8:15 P.M. A. C. Galleries, 52 W. 8th St. Ausp. American Friends of Mexican People.

SOMETHING UNUSUAL! See "Spain in Flames," playing for time in West Bronx. Admission 35c. Mt. Eden Center, 1600 Morris Ave. Ausp. West Bronx Committee to Aid Spanish Democracy.

SAMUEL SIEDMAN, news commentator of news, Thursday lectures. Admission free. 277 East 9th St. Ausp. Steve Katois Br. ILD. 8:30 P.M.

Tomorrow

ANTI-FASCIST DANCE and variety show, American People's Center, 308 West 59th St. Friday, June 4th, 8 P.M. Ausp. The West Side Anti-Fascist Committee.

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Boston, Mass.

JUNE JAMBORINI! Progressive Labor School, Saturday, June 5th, at 8 P.M. at 330 Newbury St. Entertainment, refreshments, dancing. Watch given away free. Adm. 25c.

Vital Statistics On Schmeling Fite

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Height—12 inches —25
Reach—70 inches —25
Reach—70 inches —25
Voice—very pleasant —25
Brain Power—25 196

Fordham, LIU Top City '9's

College Season Ends with Clash Between Titans

With only this Saturday's all-important battle between Fordham and Long Island Universities for the mythical metropolitan crown outstanding on the card, local intercollegiate baseball draws to a close this week.

Fordham and L. I. U. are easily the outstanding metropolitan teams of the year. The Rams, led by John Metoskie, Andy Palau and bespectacled pitcher John Barris, have been slugging the old apple far, wide and handsome this season, as evidenced by the 21-0 drubbing Fordham gave Brooklyn College and the 26 hits they rapped out against N. Y. U. on Memorial Day as they avenged an earlier defeat at the Violets' hands to the tune of 17-5. That the Rams have that old ability to hit in the pinch was shown by their 1-0 defeat of C. C. N. Y., wherein they were limited to 3 hits.

L. I. U. runs Fordham a close second. What with the mighty slugging of Captain Dominick Fuchs and Abe Abramowitz, the Blackbirds take their share of batting honors. But when it comes to pitching—that's where L. I. U. is tops. Bernie Peelman is by far the best pitcher in local college baseball. So far this season Bernie has won nine games as against no defeats, striking out 80 opposition batters, 18 of them in one game against Brooklyn College. Larry Burger is no slouch on the mound either. Larry has won six as against one defeat, striking out 67 batters. And when it comes to running bases—well, there's little Grant, the Blackbird lead-off man.

Led by big Ray Voipi, the Jaspers from Manhattan College were not far behind L. I. U. this year. The Jaspers had a powerful hitting and fielding team and pretty good pitching, but were not quite good enough to beat all their opposition, losing three while winning six of their local games.

The Violets from N. Y. U. managed to upset L. I. U. in thirteen innings and take one game from Fordham, but that was all they did that was outstanding. While winning six out of their ten local games, poor fielding detracted from their batting and pitching to a great extent.

Though C. C. N. Y. was able to beat such outstanding out-of-town teams as Temple and Princeton they were only able to collect two local victories, both of them from N. Y. U. An inability to hit in the clutch robbed them of many victories which they might have had. Generally weak hitting and slow fielding took away all the effectiveness of the superb pitching of Johnny Morris, the Beavers' star.

Winning only three out of ten metropolitan games and appearing to be everyone but C. C. N. Y.'s goat, Brooklyn College's only claim to fame this season was the sparkling fielding of Shortstop Turchin—ROY POPKIN.

Major League Leaders

LEADING BATTERS

PLAYER AND CLUB G AB R H P.C.
Clemens, Cardinals . . . 39 134 22 43 416
Crawford, Red Sox . . . 39 133 22 43 381
Walker, Tigers . . . 39 141 23 61 379
Feldman, Pirates . . . 39 146 23 61 379
Lary, Indians . . . 39 146 23 61 377
Bell, Browns . . . 39 146 23 61 377
F. Warner, Pirates . . . 39 146 23 61 377

ROME RUNS

Bartell, Giants, 11; Greenberg, Tigers, 11; Seibert, Yankees, 10; Medwick, Cardinals, 9; Fox, Red Sox, 9; Ott, Giants, 8; Walker, Tigers, 8.

RUNS BATTED IN

Greenberg, Tigers, 48; Benson, White Sox, 43; Walker, Tigers, 43; Demaree, Cubs, 43; Medwick, Cardinals, 43.

HITS

Walker, Tigers, 61; Bartell, Giants, 56; Bell, Browns, 55; Medwick, Cardinals, 55; Lary, Indians, 55.

Says Doc:
Picking Kid Ghost
By a K.O.
In Tonight's
Big 'Fight'

Rules Committee To Check Baseball

Hearings on Representative Cannon's Monopoly Charges to Begin Soon—Giants Lose, Dodgers Win

WASHINGTON, June 2 (UP).—Rep. Raymond J. Cannon, D., Wis., said tonight he had urged Chairman John J. O'Connor, D., N. Y., of the House Rules Committee to hold immediate hearings on his resolution to investigate an alleged monopoly in organized baseball.

A statement from Cannon's office said O'Connor had promised that the hearings would be scheduled in the immediate future and that he "indicated that the resolution would be reported out favorably."

Cannon also called for establishment of a Labor Relations Board for baseball comprising three members, one representing baseball management, one the players, and one the government.

"The board should have authority to pass on players' contracts," Cannon said. "Judge Landis wouldn't have anything to do but the magistrates could keep him on the payroll if they wanted to. Judge Landis never did anything to protect players' contracts."

"As it is now magistrates can send players back to the farm. I think some of these magistrates should be sent back to the farm."

'SUSPENDED, EH?'

William J. Dietrich's name went up in baseball's hall of fame yesterday.

Don't be afraid to ask: "Who's he?" Until late Tuesday afternoon Dietrich was just a bull-pen pitcher for the Chicago White Sox, and not a very good one at that.

But today Dietrich, 27-year-old bespectacled, right-hander had accomplished the perfect pitching feat—a no-hit, no-run game. Unable to pitch nine complete innings all season, he handcuuffed the St. Louis Browns, one of the hardest-hitting teams in baseball, and scored an 8 to 0 triumph.

The Browns, who boast a batting average of .292, only one point less than the league leading Boston Red Sox, got only three men on base.

Dietrich, who won eight games and lost 11 pitching for the A's, Senators and White Sox last season, fanned five men and walked two. Until he achieved his masterpiece Dietrich had won one game and lost one this season. His record follows:

May 3—Boston (Relief) 5 2 2-3/3
May 4—Boston (Start) 10 2 2-1/3
May 24—Boston (Relief) 0 0 0-1/3
May 25—Boston (Relief) 4 0 2-1/3
May 27—Washington (Relief) 1 0 0-1/4
May 28—Cleveland (Relief) 0 4 2-1/4
June 1—St. Louis (Start) 0 2 2-3

English Derby Run

EPSON DOWNS, England, June 2 (UP).—The historic Derby had its 158th running today and for the first time woman-owned entries finished one-two. The winner was Mid-day Sun, owned by Mrs. G. B. Miller, and the runner-up was Mrs. F. Nagle's Sandspite.

Whats the Mystery About Hank Lieber?

Hank Lieber, Giant outfielder, was hit in the head by a pitched ball by Bob Feller in an exhibition game on April 4. There's nothing wrong with that—it was an accident and accidents happen.

But why has the Giants office shrouded his condition in mystery since? Why hasn't there been one coherent account of his condition since the accident? Why is he mysteriously shuffled out of the Medical Center Hospital to "somewhere in Long Island" to recuperate? Why can't any of his friends see him?

And a few more questions? Who are the Giant magnates trying to kid? Is he more badly hurt than anyone knows, and is their conscience bothering them? Maybe because there is no adequate system of insurance for the ball player who loses his health through an accident.

We don't know these things. Nobody knows, except Owner Stoneham, probably. But it's unparliamentary to keep information on Lieber's welfare from those who care.

What say, Giant fans? How about demanding that the Giant owners tell us what's the mystery about Hank Lieber? L. R.

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